

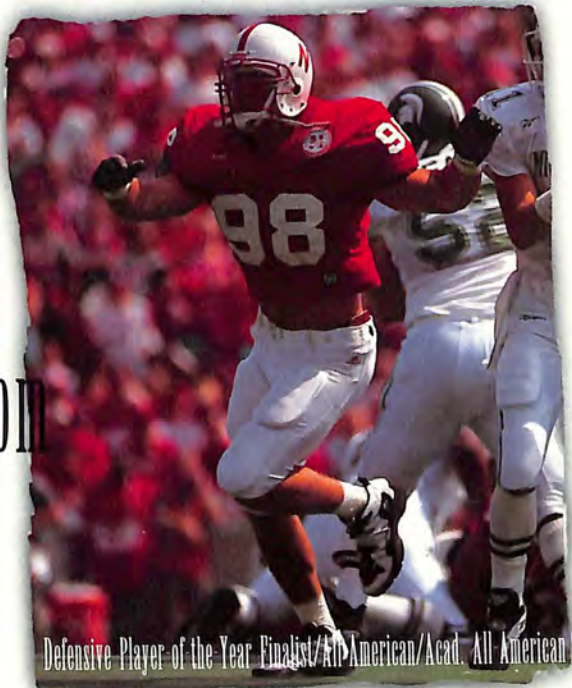
Nebraska Football



Nebraska's NCAA Record 28th Consecutive Bowl Game



Grant
Wistrom
Rush End



Defensive Player of the Year Finalist/All American/Acad. All American

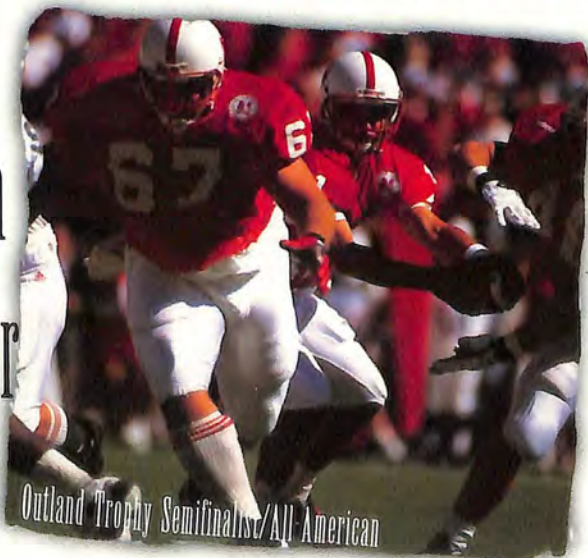
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Rush End



Lombardi Award Finalist/All American

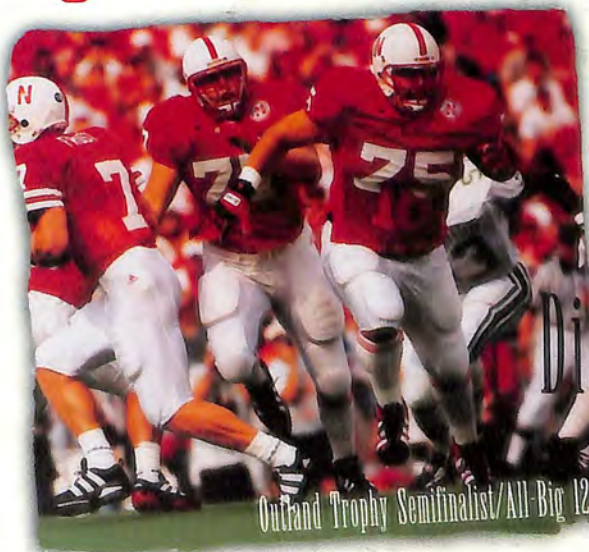
Nebraska vs. Virginia Tech

Aaron
Taylor
Center



Outland Trophy Semifinalist/All American

Chris
Dishman
Off. Guard



Outland Trophy Semifinalist/All Big 12

1996 Federal Express Orange Bowl ♦ Dec. 31, 1996 ♦ Miami, Fla.

First-team Academic All-District

First-team Academic All-District

Academics



Scott Frost
Quarterback



Brian Schuster
Fullback

Academic Facts

♦ For the 10th consecutive year, Nebraska had at least one first-team GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-American. Rush end Grant Wistrom earned first-team honors and linebacker Jon Hesse earned second-team accolades.

♦ Nebraska leads the nation with 145 Academic All-Americans in all sports combined.

♦ The Huskers also lead the nation with 50 first-team Academic All-Americans.

♦ Nebraska leads the nation in NCAA Today's Top Eight Award winners with 12 total.

♦ 85 percent of all Huskers who complete their eligibility at the University of Nebraska graduate.

Jon Hesse
Linebacker



Second-team Academic All-American



First-team Academic All-District

Jon Zatechka
Off. Guard



Kris Brown
Placekicker
Academic All-District Nominee



Jesse Kosch
Punter
First-team Academic All-Big 12



Ryan Terwilliger
Linebacker
Two-time Academic All-District

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Nebraska A.D. Bill Byrne

The University of Nebraska Cornhuskers and all members of the NU Athletic Department wish to take this opportunity to thank all the media representatives and fans for their continued interest in Husker football and intercollegiate athletics. All of us at Nebraska join in extending to you and your families best wishes for a happy Holiday Season and a joyous and prosperous New Year.

Bill Byrne, Athletic Director

Tom Osborne, Head Football Coach

Chris Anderson, Sports Information Director

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The Nebraska Huskers vs...

Huskers Briefly

Record: 10-2

Big 12 Record: 8-1, North Champion

Home: 6-0, Away: 4-1, Neutral: 0-1

Total Attendance: 807,742

Average Attendance: 67,312

Home Attendance: 452,629

Average Attendance: 75,438

Offense:

Yards Rushing/Game: 291.9

Yards Rushing/Att.: 5.1

Passing Yards/Game: 130.5

Pass Efficiency Rating: 128.3

Passing Yards/Att./Comp.: 1,556/222/113

Total Net Yards/Game: 422.4

Total Net Yards/Att.: 5.6

Points/Game: 42.7

Turnover Margin: +0.92

Defense:

Yards Rushing/Game: 83.8

Passing Yards/Game: 171.6

Pass Efficiency Defense: 91.9

Total Net Yards/Game: 255.4

Points/Game: 12.8

General Information

Location: Lincoln, Neb., 68588-0123

Population: 200,000

Founded: 1869

Enrollment: 25,000

Football Stadium: Memorial (1923)

Capacity: 72,700

Consecutive Sellouts: 214 (1962)

Surface: AstroTurf-8 (1992)

Nickname: Huskers, Cornhuskers

Colors: Scarlet & Cream

Conference: Big 12

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1996 Nebraska Schedule and Results (10-2, 8-1)

Date:	Opponent:	Television:	Results:	Attendance:	AP/Coaches Rank NU / - OPP: OPP.
Sept. 7	Michigan State	ABC	W 55-14	75,590	1/1 -
Sept. 21	at Arizona State	Prime	L 0-19	73,891	1/1 - 17/22 2/2
Sept. 28	Colorado State	FoxSports	W 65-9	75,575	8/7 -
Oct. 5	at Kansas State #	ABC	W 39-3	43,915	7/6 - 16/12 14/14
Oct. 12	Baylor (HC) #		W 49-0	75,478	5/4 -
Oct. 19	at Texas Tech #	ABC	W 24-10	51,344	5/5 -
Oct. 26	Kansas #	Fox Sports	W 63-7	75,158	5/5 -
Nov. 2	at Oklahoma #	ABC	W 73-21	75,004	5/5 -
Nov. 9	Missouri #		W 51-7	75,133	5/5 -
Nov. 16	at Iowa State #		W 49-14	47,850	5/5 -
Nov. 23	Colorado #	ABC	W 17-12	75,695	4/4 - 5/5 8/8
Dec. 7	vs. Texas &	ABC	L 27-37	63,109	3/3 20/20

#Big 12 Conference game; HC--Homecoming; & Big 12 Championship at St. Louis, Mo.

Final 1996 Big 12 Conference Standings:

North Division			South Division		
Team	Big 12	Overall	Team	Big 12	Overall
Nebraska	8-1	10-2	Texas	7-2	8-4
Colorado	7-1	9-2	Texas Tech	5-3	7-4
Kansas State	6-2	9-2	Texas A&M	4-4	6-6
Kansas	3-5	5-6	Oklahoma	3-5	3-8
Missouri	3-5	5-6	Oklahoma State	2-6	5-6
Iowa State	1-7	2-9	Baylor	1-7	4-7

Husker Quick Stats

Rushing	Gms.	Att.	Yards	YPC	YPG	Long	TDs
Ahman Green, IB	10	155	917	5.9	91.7	70	7
DeAngelo Evans, IB	11	148	776	5.2	70.5	69	14
Damon Benning, IB	11	85	465	5.5	42.3	22	7
Scott Frost, QB	12	126	438	3.5	36.5	22	9
Passing	Gms.	Att-Cmp-Int	Pct.	Yds	YPG	TDs	Rating
Scott Frost, QB	12	200-104-3	52.0	1,440	120.0	13	130.9
Matt Turman, QB	9	19-9-0	47.4	126	14.0	1	120.4
Receiving	Gms.	No.	Yds	YPR	YPG	Long	TDs
Brendan Holbein, SE	12	23	335	16.7	27.9	35	4
Jon Vedral, WB	12	20	300	15.0	25.0	41	1
Vershan Jackson, TE	12	13	220	16.0	16.9	41	4
DeAngelo Evans, IB	11	12	75	6.3	6.8	22	0
Tackles	UT	TOT	TFL	Sacks	PBU	Int.-Yds-TD	
Jamel Williams, LB	36	97	12-54	5-38	2	3-49-0	
Jon Hesse, LB	32	85	11-53	2-18	2	0-0-0	
Grant Wistrom, DE	30	75	20-74	9.5-48	0	1-9-0	
Jason Peter, DT	17	58	10-41	4-28	3	0-0-0	

Nebraska vs. Virginia Tech (0-0)

Nebraska at Pro Player Stadium (0-0)

Nebraska in the Orange Bowl (6-9)

Date	Occasion	Opponent	AP Rank NU/OPP.	Result NU/OPP.
Jan. 1, 1955	Orange Bowl	Duke	NR/14	L, 7-34
Jan. 1, 1964	Orange Bowl	Auburn	6/5	W, 13-7
Jan. 1, 1966	Orange Bowl	Alabama	3/4	L, 28-39
Jan. 1, 1971	Orange Bowl	LSU	3/5	W, 17-12
Jan. 1, 1972	Orange Bowl	Alabama	1/2	W, 38-6
Jan. 1, 1973	Orange Bowl	Notre Dame	9/12	W, 40-6
Jan. 1, 1979	Orange Bowl	Oklahoma	6/4	L, 24-31
Jan. 1, 1982	Orange Bowl	Clemson	4/1	L, 15-22
Jan. 1, 1983	Orange Bowl	LSU	3/13	W, 21-20
Jan. 2, 1984	Orange Bowl	Miami	1/5	L, 30-31
Jan. 2, 1989	Orange Bowl	Miami	6/2	L, 3-23
Jan. 1, 1992	Orange Bowl	Miami	11/1	L, 0-22
Jan. 1, 1993	Orange Bowl	Florida State	11/3	L, 14-27
Jan. 1, 1994	Orange Bowl	Florida State	2/1	L, 16-18
Jan. 1, 1995	Orange Bowl	Miami	1/3	W, 24-17

The Virginia Tech Hokies

1996 Virginia Tech Schedule and Results (10-1, 6-1)

Date:	Opponent:	Results:	Attendance:	AP/Coaches Rank VT / OPP: OPP.	Gametm. Current:
Sept. 7	at Akron	W 21-18	12,993	15/14 - --	
Sept. 14	at Boston College #	W 45-7	44,500	19/19 - --	
Sept. 21	Rutgers #	W 30-14	47,204	18/16 - --	
Sept. 28	at Syracuse #	L 21-52	49,069	18/16 - 23/22	
Oct. 12	Temple #	W 38-0	44,208	17/15 - --	
Oct. 26	Pittsburgh #	W 34-17	43,625	25/21 - --	
Nov. 2	SW Louisiana	W 47-16	35,643	NR/20 - --	
Nov. 9	East Carolina	W 35-14	49,128	25/17 - --	
Nov. 16	at Miami #	W 21-7	38,814	18/13-NR/18 18/19	
Nov. 23	West Virginia #	W 31-14	50,086	17/9-23/21 23/25	
Nov. 29	Virginia	W 26-9	50,128	17/9-20/25--	

#Big East Conference game.

Final 1996 Big East Conference Standings:			Head Coach: Frank Beamer (Virginia Tech, 1969)	
	Big East	Overall	Record: 103-73-4 (16 years, .583), 61-50-2 at Virginia Tech (10 years, .549)	
Team	Record	Record	Assistant Coaches: Billy Hite (assistant head coach/running backs), Rickey Bustle (offensive coordinator/quarterbacks), Bud Foster (inside linebackers/special teams), Jim Cavanaugh (strong safeties/outside linebackers), J.B. Grimes (offensive line), Bryan Stinespring (tight ends/assistant offensive line), Terry Strock (receivers), Lou West (defensive backfield), Charley Wiles (defensive line)	
Virginia Tech	6-1	10-1		
Miami	6-1	8-3		
Syracuse	6-1	8-3		
West Virginia	4-3	8-3		
Pittsburgh	3-4	4-7		
Boston College	2-5	5-7		
Rutgers	1-6	2-9		
Temple	0-7	1-10		

Hokie Quick Stats

Rushing	Att.	Yards	YPC	YPG	Long	TDs
Ken Oxendine, TB	150	914	5.9	98.9	71	13
Shyrone Stith, TB	89	486	5.3	43.1	35	5
Marcus Parker, TB	82	476	5.7	66.7	73	4
Brian Edmunds, FB	67	298	4.4	29.3	21	4
Passing	Att-Cmp-Int	Pct.	Yds	YPG	TDs	Eff. Rating
Jim Druckenmiller, QB	250-142-5	56.8	2,071	188.3	17	144.8
Al Clark, QB	5-1-1	20.0	12	2.0	0	0.2
Receiving	No.	Yds	YPR	YPG	Long	TDs
Shawn Scales, FL	30	510	17.0	46.4	71	4
Cornelius White, SE	30	449	15.0	40.8	72	4
Michael Stuewe, SE	25	385	15.4	35.0	65	5
Brian Edmonds, FB	15	223	14.9	22.3	35	2
Tackles	UT	TOT	TFL	Sacks	PBU	Int.
Brandon Semones, LB	57	88	8-28	5-54	5	1
Myron Newsome, LB	46	84	6-12	1-9	2	0
Torrian Gray, FS	58	76	1-1	0-0	10	0
Pierson Prioleau, ROV	41	71	3-16	2-14	6	0

How the Two Teams Compare in 1996:

Category	NEBRASKA		VIRGINIA TECH	
	Average	Rank National	Average	Rank National
Rushing Offense	291.9	4	227.6	19
Passing Offense	130.5	100	189.4	58
Total Offense	422.4	25	417	27
Scoring Offense	42.7	4	31.7	24
Turnover Margin	+0.92	12	-0.09	63
Scoring Defense	12.8	5	15.3	T9
Rushing Defense	83.8	5	112.0	19
Pass Efficiency Defense	91.9	7	99.4	16
Total Defense	255.4	7	316.1	24
Net Punting	41.0	8	32.4	102
Punt Returns	10.6	39	9.4	55
Kickoff Returns	25.2	6	19.4	74

(Bold indicates a mark which ranks in nation's top 10)



Hokies Briefly

Record: 10-1
Big East Conference Record: 6-1, First
Home: 7-0, **Away:** 3-1, **Neutral:** 1-0

Offense:

Yards Rushing/Game: 227.6
Yards Rushing/Att.: 4.8
Passing Yards/Game: 189.4
Passing Yards/Att./Comp.: 2,083/255/143
Total Net Yards/Game: 417.0
Total Net Yards/Att.: 5.9
Points/Game: 31.7
Turnover Margin: -0.09

Defense:

Yards Rushing/Game: 112.0
Passing Yards/Game: 204.1
Total Net Yards/Game: 316.1
Points/Game: 15.3

General Information

Location: Blacksburg, Va.
Founded: 1872
Enrollment: 23,873
Football Stadium: Lane Stadium/Worsham Field
Capacity: 50,000
Surface: Natural grass
Nickname: Hokies
Colors: Chicago maroon and burnt orange
Conference: Big East
President: Dr. Paul Torgersen
Athletic Director: Dave Braine
Director of Media Relations: Jack Williams
Sports Information Director: Dave Smith
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Assistant SID: Cassie Arner
Assistant SID: Gary Wheat
Assistant SID: David Knachel

1996 Orange Bowl Media Information

Nebraska Travel Plans

The Huskers will fly from Lincoln to Miami on Sunday, Dec. 22, via charter, departing at 7:30 a.m. While in Miami, the Huskers will headquarter at the Sheraton Bal Harbour Beach Resort and practice at Barbara Goleman High School. Nebraska will return home via charter on Jan. 1.

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Miami, FL 33018
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Nebraska Sports Information Staff in attendance include Chris Anderson, Sports Information Director, Assistant SID Hank Largin, student assistant Shane Ury and secretary Vicki Cartwright. A Sports Information phone line will be installed at the team hotel. A SID staff person will be at practice each day and at every press conference.

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Nebraska Media Policies

Practice Procedures:

Nebraska's football practices are closed to the public and to the media. Practice reports will be filed at the press headquarters with daily quotes from Coach Tom Osborne. Still photographers and videographers are welcome to shoot the first 15 minutes of practice on the following days (Dec. 22, 24, 26, 28, 30), but will be asked to leave the premises after warmups are over (five minutes on Monday, Dec. 30). The Huskers will practice at Barbara Goleman High School Dec. 22-29 and will hold a short walk-through drill at Pro Player Stadium on Monday, Dec. 30. Coach Tom Osborne will be available at the practice site, following the team's practice on Dec. 26 and Dec. 28. Other than the designated days outlined above and below, players and coaches will only be available at the scheduled media events. Nebraska coaches and selected players are scheduled to participate in news conferences at the press quarters at the Miami Airport Marriott in salons A and B, beginning on Friday, Dec. 27. The entire team will be at the Media/Photo Day at Pro Player Stadium on Sunday, Dec. 29. Please inform a University of Nebraska SID staff member of player/coach requests for Sunday's Orange Bowl media/photo day, by Thursday, Dec. 26, by calling the Sheraton Bal Harbour and asking for the SID office.

Tentative Practice/Press Conference Schedule for Nebraska in Miami:

Date:	Event	Time:	Location/Notes:
Sunday, 12-22	Departure	7:30 a.m. (central)	Team Departs Lincoln via Sun Country from Municipal Airport
	Arrival	Noon (East)	Team arrives in Miami, at Miami International Airport
	Press Conference		Informal Upon Arrival at Airport
	Practice	3-5 p.m.	Open to shoot first 15 minutes
Monday, 12-23	Practice	10:15 a.m. - Noon	Closed
Tuesday, 12-24	Practice	10:15 - Noon	Open to shoot first 15 minutes
	Social	6 p.m.	Christmas Dinner
Wednesday, 12-25			No Practice, no interviews
Thursday, 12-26	Practice	10:15 a.m. - Noon	Open to shoot first 15 minutes
			Post-practice: Coach Osborne, Aaron Taylor, DeAngelo Evans, Kris Brown and Jason Peter available for short interviews at practice site.
	Social	6 - 9 p.m.	Team Welcome Party at Seaquarium
Friday, 12-27	Social	11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Hall of Honor Luncheon
	Press Conference	2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Miami Airport Marriott Salons A and B (Coach Osborne, Mike Minter, Jared Tomich, Chris Dishman, Damon Benning, Grant Wistrom and Scott Frost)
	Practice	3:45 - 5 p.m.	Closed
Saturday, 12-28	Social	6 - 9 p.m.	Team Outing at Planet Hollywood
	Practice	10:15 a.m. - Noon	Open to shoot first 15 minutes
			Post-practice: Coach Osborne, Brian Schuster, Brendan Holbein, Jesse Kosch, Eric Stokes and Jon Hesse available for short interviews at practice site.
Sunday, 12-29	Media/Photo Day	Noon - 1 p.m.	Pro Player Stadium
	Practice	2 - 3:45 p.m.	Closed
Monday, 12-30	Social	7 - 9 a.m.	FCA Breakfast
	Press Conference	11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Coach Osborne only, Miami Airport Marriott, Salons A and B
	Social	Noon - 12:30 p.m.	Players visit Miami Baptist Hosp. at Pro Player Stadium
Tuesday, 12-31	Practice	7 - 7:45 p.m.	Open to shoot first five minutes
	Game	7:15 p.m.	Pro Player Stadium
	Winning Team	Postgame	Pro Player Stadium Interview Room #1 (Dolphins Interview Room)
Wednesday, 1-1	Losing Team	Postgame	Pro Player Stadium Room No. 2
	Press Conference	TBA	Winning Coach at Miami Airport Marriott, Salon A

**Note: All times listed are local*

Postgame Procedures:

Nebraska's locker room is closed after games, both home and away, but Coach Tom Osborne and requested players and assistant coaches will be available for interviews following a brief cooling-off period. Only coaches, players and staff members will be admitted to the locker room after the game, but Coach Osborne and requested personnel will be brought to a designated area. Admittance to the interview area will be by media credential only. Turn in specific player requests to Sports Information Director Chris Anderson by the end of the third quarter (please include name and affiliation). Players making significant plays late in the game will be available as a matter of course.

No. 6 Huskers Take On No. 10 Virginia Tech

1996 Nebraska Results (10-2, 8-1)

(Times and dates are Central and subject to change)

Sept. 7 ... Michigan St.(ABC).....	W	55-14
Sept. 21 ... at Arizona State (PSN).....	L	0-19
Sept. 28 .. Colorado State (FSN).....	W	65-9
Oct. 5 at Kansas State # (ABC).....	W	39-3
Oct. 12 ... Baylor # (HC).....	W	49-0
Oct. 19 at Texas Tech # (ABC).....	W	24-10
Oct. 26 ... Kansas # (FSN).....	W	63-7
Nov. 2 at Oklahoma # (ABC).....	W	73-21
Nov. 9 Missouri #.....	W	51-7
Nov. 16 ... at Iowa State #.....	W	49-14
Nov. 29 ... Colorado # (ABC).....	W	17-12
Dec. 7 Texas #+, Big 12 Champ.....	L	27-37

Big 12 Conference Game; HC Homecoming
+ at St.Louis, Mo.

1996 Virginia Tech Results (10-1, 6-1)

Sept. 7 at Akron.....	W	21-18
Sept. 14 ... at Boston College #.....	W	45-7
Sept. 21 .. Rutgers #.....	W	30-14
Sept. 28 ... at Syracuse #.....	L	21-52
Oct. 12 ... Temple #.....	W	38-0
Oct. 26 ... Pittsburgh #.....	W	34-17
Nov. 2 Southwest Louisiana.....	W	47-16
Nov. 9 East Carolina.....	W	35-14
Nov. 16 ... at Miami #.....	W	21-7
Nov. 23 ... West Virginia #.....	W	31-14
Nov. 29 ... Virginia.....	W	26-9

indicates Big East Game

Husker Records and Streaks

- ◆ 46-3-0 record in past four years (NCAA record)
- ◆ 36-game home winning streak (nation's longest)
- ◆ Three straight 11-win seasons, eight in school history (six under Coach Tom Osborne)
- ◆ Five 12-win seasons (four under Osborne)
- ◆ 214 consecutive sellouts in Memorial Stadium (NCAA record)
- ◆ 256 consecutive weeks ranked by AP (AP record)
- ◆ 35 consecutive winning seasons (current NCAA record, third best all time in Division I-A, dating back to 1962, Bob Devaney's first year)
- ◆ 28 consecutive nine-win seasons (NCAA record, since 1969 season)
- ◆ 28 consecutive bowl bids (NCAA record, since 1969)
- ◆ 35 all-time bowl appearances (fifth best in the NCAA, since 1962)
- ◆ 16 consecutive "New Year's Day" Bowls (NCAA record, since 1981)
- ◆ 708 Wins...One of six NCAA Division I-A schools to post more than 700 wins

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Game # 12...No. 6/6 (AP/Coaches) Nebraska (10-2, 8-1, 2nd Big 12) vs. No. 10/9 Virginia Tech (10-1, 6-1, 1st Big East)

1996 Federal Express Orange Bowl, Miami, Fla., Pro Player Stadium (75,192)

Date: Dec. 31, 1996 Kickoff Time: 6:15 p.m. Central (7:15 p.m. Eastern)

TV: CBS National (PBP--Sean McDonough, Color--Mike Mayoock, SL--Andrea Joyce)

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No. 6/6 Nebraska off to Face No. 10/9 Virginia Tech in Fed Ex Orange Bowl

The Nebraska Cornhuskers are slated to appear in their 28th consecutive bowl game, and 35th overall when the team travels to Miami, Fla., to take on the 10-1 Virginia Tech Hokies in the 1996 Federal Express Orange Bowl, on Tuesday, Dec. 31. Nebraska (10-2) is ranked sixth in both polls, and was the fourth pick in the Bowl Alliance, while the Hokies are ninth in the coaches poll, 10th by AP and were pick No. 6 in the Alliance. Nebraska finished 8-1 in the Big 12 Conference, placing second after losing 37-27 to Texas in the Big 12 Playoff game in St. Louis. Virginia Tech tied for first in the Big East with a 6-1 league record. Nebraska's hopes of an unprecedented third national title vanished with the loss to Texas on Dec. 7, but, a win would allow the Huskers to finish in the top 10 in the AP poll, certainly no lower than NU's present rank of No. 6. That would mark the fourth consecutive year that Nebraska not only would finish in the top 10 of the polls, but also the top six. The Huskers have been no lower than a consensus third in 1993. The last two years, the Huskers have won back-to-back national titles.

Huskers in the Bowls

Orange Bowl is Nebraska's 35th All-Time Bowl Appearance

Beginning with the 1941 Rose Bowl, Nebraska has gone to 35 bowls and the 1996 Orange Bowl will be the Huskers' 28th consecutive, a streak that not only leads the nation but is also an NCAA record. It also marks NU's nation-leading 16th-consecutive "New Year's Day/Major Four" bowl. Nebraska's 35 overall bowl appearances ranks fifth (trailing Alabama's 47, USC's 38 and Texas' and Tennessee's 37), while Osborne ranks third all-time in bowl appearances (24), behind only Paul "Bear" Bryant's 29 and Joe Paterno's 27. Osborne is also tied for third for most bowl victories by active coaches; is third in all-time "Big Four" bowl appearances with 15, and is tied with Bryant and second only to Paterno in most years for taking one school to a bowl with 24.

Huskers Own 28-Year Bowl String

When Alabama did not receive a bowl bid at the end of the 1984 season, Nebraska took over the NCAA record for the longest current string of consecutive bowl appearances from the Crimson Tide. Alabama had appeared in 25 straight bowl games dating back to the inaugural Liberty Bowl at Philadelphia in 1959, but did not receive a bid in 1984. The Huskers, first under Bob Devaney, then Tom Osborne, have appeared in a bowl game in 28 consecutive seasons, starting with a 45-6 win over Georgia in the 1969 Sun Bowl.

Nebraska vs. Virginia Tech in 1996 Orange Bowl

The Orange Bowl marks the first meeting between Nebraska and Virginia Tech. Nebraska will be making its 16th appearance in the Orange Bowl, its fifth in the last six years. Nebraska's last trip to the Orange Bowl was a successful one, as the Huskers won their third national championship, defeating Miami 24-17 on Jan. 1, 1995. Nebraska is 6-9 in the Orange Bowl (2-7 under Head Coach Tom Osborne), appearing in 1955, 1964, 1966, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1979, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1989, 1992, 1993, 1994 and 1995. Nebraska frequented the bowl as the Big Eight Champion since 1954 (with the exception of 11 years from 1965-75). In the 15 Orange Bowl games, NU's opponent has been either Miami or Florida State the last six times.

Nebraska Looks to Win 17th Bowl Game

In bowl games, NU is 16-18 overall, 10-13 under Osborne. In 1995, No. 1 Nebraska defeated No. 2 Miami, 24-17, in the Federal Express Orange Bowl to post its first national championship under Osborne. Last year, NU defeated Florida, 62-24, in the Fiesta Bowl for a second national crown. This year marks the third time in 13 years that the Huskers have entered the game as the higher ranked team (dating back to the 1985 Sugar Bowl vs. No. 12 Louisiana State, when No. 4 NU won 28-10). Nebraska has seen stiff competition in the bowls. In fact, the Huskers have not played a team ranked lower than fifth since 1985 (12 consecutive years counting 1996). In the last six years, NU has faced AP's No. 2, 1, 3, 1, 3, 2 team, respectively, while NU was not

even ranked in the top 10 in three of those years. The last three years have matched teams ranked in the top three, with No. 2 NU facing No. 1 Florida State in 1994; No. 1 NU facing No. 3 Miami in 1995; and No. 1 NU facing No. 2 Florida in January of 1996. This season's matchup pits No. 6 Nebraska against No. 10 (AP, No. 9 coaches) Virginia Tech. In all but one year of the last six, the national champion has come (in at least one of the polls), out of Nebraska's bowl game (excluding Florida State in 1993). The last two years, it's been the Huskers winning it all. Before that, it was Florida State (1993), Miami (1991) and Georgia Tech (1990).

The Last Bowl...Nebraska 62, Florida 24...1996 Fiesta Bowl

Nebraska, ranked No. 1 and 11-0 on the season, brought to the table a powerful option offense, which ranked first in rushing (399.8 ypg), second in total offense (556.3 ypg), first in scoring (52.4 ppg) and averaged 156.5 yards in the air. The Gators were 12-0 on the season, having won the SEC title. They ranked second nationally in passing (360.8 ypg), fourth in total offense (534.4 ypg), third in scoring (44.5 ppg) and averaged 173.6 yards on the ground. Husker quarterback Tommie Frazier had rushed for 604 yards and 14 TDs and passed for 1,352 yards and 17 TDs in 1995, and held school records for total offense yards (5,476) and TDs (79). His counterpart, Danny Wuerffel, had passed for 3,255 yards in 1995 alone with 35 TDs and an NCAA record in passing efficiency (178.4). Frazier and Wuerffel finished second and third, respectively, in the Heisman race behind Ohio State's Eddie George.

For a quarter, it looked as if it would be a ball game. Two lead changes occurred and Florida led 10-6 after one period. But Nebraska scored 29 unanswered points in the second quarter, much to the delight of the more than 40,000 red-clad fans. The 29 points were the most ever scored in the second quarter of a bowl game. After scoring Nebraska's first TD in the first quarter on a 16-yard swing pass from Tommie Frazier, Lawrence Phillips began the second-quarter barrage with an impressive Sunday-type run for a 42-yard score. The Husker defense picked up momentum on the next series, when consecutive penalties sent Florida back to its own four yard line. Wuerffel was sacked, first by Terrell Farley, who narrowly missed a safety. On the next play, Jamel Williams flew in untouched and hit Wuerffel for the two points. It wouldn't be the last time the defense would score. Following the ensuing free kick, Nebraska marched 51 yards to set up Ahman Green's 1-yard score. A three-and-out series for Florida led to Kris Brown's 25-yard field goal. Then on the fourth play of the Gator's next drive, Michael Booker picked off a Wuerffel pass and returned it 42 yards for a TD. Wuerffel was sacked twice more on the ensuing drive, which forced Florida to punt again. A 33-yard pass from Frazier to Brendan Holbein set up Kris Brown's 24-yard field goal, giving the Huskers a 35-10 lead at intermission.

While the Gators were known for putting up big points fast, Nebraska came out for the second half, determined to put the game away. Each team stalled on two series to begin the third quarter and exchanged interceptions. Then Nebraska's Eric Stokes picked off a Wuerffel pass at the NU 32. Six plays later, Frazier broke up the middle untouched on a 35-yard TD run to give the Huskers a 42-10 cushion. Florida struck back with a five-play scoring drive that saw Wuerffel hit Ike Hilliard for the Gators' only passing TD. NU took over on its own 20-yard line and on the second play from scrimmage, Frazier put an exclamation point on the scoreboard with an incredible 75-yard run, breaking at least nine tacklers. The score was 49-18 going into the fourth quarter. Husker free safety Tony Veland picked off a long Wuerffel pass on Florida's first drive. After Nebraska went three and out, Reidel Anthony fumbled the Huskers' only punt into the arms of Brendan Holbein. Nebraska quickly followed with another score by Phillips, a 15-yard run. Nebraska reserves took the field and scored the last TD with 4:31 remaining, when quarterback Brook Berringer scored on a 1-yard run. Anthony returned the ensuing kickoff 93 yards for the last Gator score. The young Husker backups drove to the 1-yard line, before quarterback Matt Turman dropped to a knee to ride out the time.

Final Score--Nebraska 62, Florida 24. The 38-point margin of victory between a No. 1 and No. 2 team was the second largest ever (Army 48, Notre Dame 0, 1945). The 62 points set a Nebraska and Fiesta Bowl record and was the second most ever in a bowl game.

Frazier rushed for 199 yards on 16 carries and two TDs. He averaged 12.4 every time he ran the ball. His yards were Nebraska and Fiesta Bowl records for most yards rushing and an NCAA bowl record for most yards rushing by QB. He also completed 6-14 passes for 105 yards, with one TD and two interceptions. For the third consecutive year, Frazier was named the bowl MVP with 304 yards of total offense and three scores. Phillips also rushed for more than 100 yards, (25-165 yards, two TDs) marking the first time in bowl history Nebraska had two 100-yard rushers in a game. True freshman Ahman Green totaled 68 yards and a score.

The Husker rushing attack totaled an NCAA bowl-record 524 yards. Nebraska's 629 yards in total offense were also a Husker record. The Husker defense was responsible for nine points, sacked Wuerffel seven times, picked off three passes, recovered a fumble and limited the Gators to a minus-28 yards rushing, the second lowest total in UF history and the least allowed by the Huskers in a bowl game and a Fiesta Bowl record. Left cornerback Michael Booker, who had the touchdown interception, broke up a Fiesta Bowl and NCAA bowl record three passes, had four tackles and was named the defensive MVP.

The win extended Nebraska's winning streak to 25 games and bettered the NCAA record for most wins in a three-year span. The Cornhuskers became the first school in 40 years to post perfect back-to-back national championship seasons. Only one other team had accomplished that feat--Oklahoma in 1955 and 1956.

Big 12 Sends Five to Bowls

Five Big 12 teams qualified for postseason bowl games, including Nebraska, while six of Nebraska's opponents will be participating in bowl games after NU's non-conference opponents posted a 24-10 record. Big 12 schools going bowling include Nebraska--Orange vs. Virginia Tech; Texas--Fiesta vs. Penn State; Colorado--Holiday vs. Washington; Kansas State--Cotton vs. BYU; and Texas Tech--Alamo vs. Iowa. Two of NU's three non-conference opponents will participate in bowls, including Arizona State--Rose vs. Ohio State; and Michigan State--Sun vs. Stanford. Nebraska's other non-conference opponent, Colorado State, posted a 7-5 record on the season but did not earn a berth to a bowl.

Big 12 in National Rankings

Nebraska led the Big 12 in six of 12 NCAA statistical categories and ranked among the nation's top seven in each, including rushing (291.9 ypg), kickoff returns (25.2 ypr), scoring offense (42.7 ppg), rushing defense (83.8), total defense (255.4 ypg) and scoring defense (12.8 ppg). NCAA statistical champions include Kansas in punt returns; and Troy Davis, LSU, who led the nation in rushing and all-purpose yards.

1996 Season Recap...Nebraska 10-2

Nebraska's 1996 Season Dedicated to Brook Berringer

Before the start of the Huskers' first game against Michigan State at home, the University of Nebraska football program dedicated the season to the memory of Brook Berringer, the 1992-95 Husker quarterback who died in a plane crash on April 18, 1996. The Husker football Program has established an award in his honor called "The Brook Berringer Citizenship Team." Brook was one of the most dedicated volunteers in the community and with youth, both in Nebraska and in his hometown of Goodland, Kan. The Brook Berringer Citizenship Team will be announced every April at the annual "School is Cool" Jam in Lincoln. Selection of the Team will be made by members of the Ventures in Partnership program.

The Husker Season Briefly

With new starters at quarterback, 1-back, center, wingback, split end and tight end on offense, plus two additional offensive linemen, Coach Tom Osborne knew it would take some time for the offense to gel. While the offense lost seven starters, the defense looked strong with seven returning starters including three preseason first-team All-Americans. The Huskers kicked off the season at home with a 55-14 win over Michigan State, a worthy opponent who would go on to finish 6-5 and earn a berth

1996 Big 12 Standings by Division

Team	AP/Coach			
	Big 12 Overall	Rank	AP Bowl	
North				
Nebraska	8-1	10-2	6 / 6	Orange
Colorado	7-1	9-2	8 / 8	Holiday
Kansas State	6-2	9-2	14 / 14	Cotton
Kansas	3-5	5-6		
Missouri	3-5	5-6		
Iowa State	1-7	2-9		

South

Texas	7-2	8-4	20 / 20	Fiesta
Texas Tech	5-3	7-4	RV / RV	Alamo
Texas A&M	4-4	6-6		
Oklahoma	3-5	3-8		
Oklahoma State	2-6	5-6		
Baylor	1-7	4-7		

Big 12 Championship: Texas 37, Nebraska 27

Nebraska's Non-Conference Opponents

Michigan State	6-5	Sun
Arizona State	11-0	2/2
Colorado State	7-5	Rose

Nebraska Opponents' Record: 67-57

NU's Non-Conference

Opponents' Record: 24-10

Big 12 Schools Combined Record: 80-72

NCAA Div. I-A Teams With 15+

Current Consecutive Winning Seasons

Team:	Winning Seasons:	9-Win Seasons:
1. Nebraska*	35	28
2. Florida State	20	10
Washington	20	--
4. Florida	16	6
5. Miami	17	--

(Note: Nebraska's 35-year win streak is third all-time behind Notre Dame (42, 1889-1932) and Alabama (38, 1911-50).

Most Victories by Active Coaches

Coach, School	No. of Victories
1. Joe Paterno, Penn State	287
2. Bobby Bowden, Florida State	271
3. Tom Osborne, Nebraska	241

Top Three NCAA Division I-A

Winningest Active Coaches

Coach, School (Record)	Pct.
1. Tom Osborne, NU, (241-49-3)	.828
2. Joe Paterno, Penn St. (287-74-3)	.793
3. R.C. Slocum, Texas A&M (73-20-2)	.779

NU Nominees for Big 12 Player-of-the-Week:

Opp.:Offense:	Defense:
MSU Scott Frost, QB	Mike Minter, Roy.
ASU None	Jamel Williams, SLB
CSU Scott Frost, QB	Grant Wistrom, RE
KSU DeAngelo Evans, IB	Terrell Farley, WLB
BU Brian Schuster, FB	Grant Wistrom, RE
TTU Chris Dishman, LG	Jon Hesse, MLB
KU Scott Frost, QB	Grant Wistrom, RE
OU Scott Frost, QB	Jason Peter, DT
MI Ahman Green, IB	Mike Minter, Rover
ISU Ahman Green, IB	Jason Peter, DT
CU DeAngelo Evans, IB	Grant Wistrom, RE
Texas DeAngelo Evans, IB	Jamel Williams, SLB

in the Sun Bowl. Then NU had a week off, a break which came too early in the season. Nebraska traveled to Tempe to face a fired-up, talented Arizona State team. Although the defense only allowed 13 points to the No. 17 Sun Devils, the offense had three turnovers and gave up three safeties in the 19-0 shutout, to a team which would go undefeated through the season and play for the national championship in the Rose Bowl. The Huskers regrouped, and after only dropping to eighth in the polls, still had a chance at winning it all. Nebraska went on to outscore its next nine opponents 430-83, with wins over two ranked teams, including No. 17 Kansas State in Manhattan (39-3) and No. 5 Colorado in Lincoln (17-12) to close out the regular season. Nebraska climbed back up to No. 3 in the rankings and had a chance to play No. 1 Florida State in the Sugar Bowl for the national title, but first had to get past a solid Texas team. The Longhorns had continued to improve throughout the last half of the season, and one week after NU laid it on the line against Colorado, Nebraska and Texas met in St. Louis for the inaugural Big 12 Championship. Nebraska's streak of five consecutive titles ended as Texas prevailed in the fourth quarter, coming up with several big plays to win 37-27. Nebraska dropped back down to sixth but was the fourth pick of the Alliance, to play in the Federal Express Orange Bowl. NU played without starting I-back **Ahman Green** in its last two games and without 1995 second-team All-American Terrell Farley in the first two and last two games of the season. Green, who suffered a stress fracture in his left foot just before the Colorado game, is the only Husker doubtful for the bowl game. Farley will not play again for the Huskers after being dismissed from the team. The Huskers rank among the nation's top 25 in 10 of 12 NCAA categories, and behind the play of All-America rush ends **Jared Tomich** and **Grant Wistrom**, rank fifth nationally against the rush. The offense ranks fourth in rushing behind the play of three outstanding running backs in Green, **DeAngelo Evans**, **Damon Benning** and three All-America candidate linemen in **Aaron Taylor**, **Chris Dishman** and **Eric Anderson**. While the Huskers average 42.7 points per outing (fourth nationally), opponents are putting up just 12.8 points per game (ninth). The Husker defense has scored 58 of those points itself this year, the best in the Tom Osborne era, bettering the 50 points the Blackshirts scored last season. Green finished as the team's leading rusher with 917 yards on the season, just missing his second consecutive 1,000 yard rushing year. He totaled 1,086 as a true freshman last year. True freshman DeAngelo Evans rushed for 776 yards in 11 games and a Husker frosh record 14 TDs. First-year quarterback **Scott Frost** threw just three interceptions on the year and 1,440 yards passing with 13 TDs. He rushed for another 438 and nine TDs for 1,878 total offense yards (10th all time at NU). Seniors **Brendan Holbein** and **Jon Vedral** led the receivers with more than 20 catches each.

Huskers Earn National Honors

◆ **Tomich--Lombardi Award Finalist...**Nebraska senior rush end **Jared Tomich** was one of four finalists for the 27th annual Lombardi Award. The trophy was awarded to junior offensive tackle Orlando Pace of Ohio State, who also won last year. Tomich was also one of 11 student-athletes named to the CFA Football Good Works team for his extensive work in the community and was named a first-team Walter Camp All-American.

◆ **Wistrom--Defensive Player-of-the-Year Finalist...**Nebraska's other All-America rush end **Grant Wistrom**, was one of five finalists for both the Football News Defensive Player-of-the-Year and also for the Bronko Nagurski (FWAA) Defensive Player-of-the-Year Award. He was named the Touchdown Club of Columbus Defensive Lineman of the year and a first-team AP, Football Writers, AFCA and a Football News All-American and the Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Year in 1996. Wistrom was a first-team GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-American and he and **Jon Hesse**, were named CFA Scholar-Athletes.

◆ **Taylor and Dishman Outland Semifinalists...**Two of Nebraska's All-America candidates on the offensive line were on the 13-man semifinal list for the Outland Trophy. Center/guard **Aaron Taylor** (junior) and guard/tackle **Chris Dishman** (senior) are the honorees. Taylor was named first-team All-American by Football News, Walter Camp and by the FWAA in 1996.

◆ **Five Huskers are Named to GTE/CoSIDA District VII All-Academic Team...**Five Huskers were named to the GTE/CoSIDA District VII team. Those five include QB **Scott Frost**; FB **Brian Schuster**; OL **Jon Zatechka**; LB **Jon Hesse**; and RE **Grant Wistrom**. Nebraska leads the nation in football first-team GTE Academic All-Americans (50) and in honorees for all sports/all teams (145). Wistrom earned first-team All-America honors and Hesse earned second-team honors. Nebraska has had at least one academic All-American for the past 12 years.

◆ Nebraska saw seven players named to the inaugural All-Big 12 first team, DT **Jason Peter** and RE **Grant Wistrom** on defense and center **Aaron Taylor** and OG **Chris Dishman** on offense were named to both the coaches and AP team. LB **Jon Hesse**, rover **Mike Minter** and RE **Jared Tomich** were named to the AP first team.

◆ The Big 12 Specialty Honors were also announced, rush end **Grant Wistrom** was named the Defensive Player-of-the-Year by both AP and the coaches; quarterback **Scott Frost** was named the Offensive Newcomer-of-the-Year by the coaches; **Ralph Brown** was named the AP Defensive Newcomer-of-the-Year; and **Coach Osborne** was named the AP Coach-of-the-Year.

Week #12 Recap...Nebraska 27, Texas 37

Nebraska's 12th and final game of the 1996 season was the inaugural Big 12 championship played in the Trans World Dome in St. Louis, Mo. In a back and forth game that was tied three times, each team held leads of at least four points. Texas won the final battle, when on fourth and one at its own 28, James Brown scrambled and hit Derek Lewis for a 61-yard gain to the Nebraska 11. Priest Holmes scored on the next play on an 11-yard run to go up 37-27. NU would have gotten the ball with approximately 2:30 left, had the 'Horns been stopped. Playing without sophomore starter **Ahman Green**, the Huskers were led by true freshman **DeAngelo Evans**, who rushed a career-high 32 times for 130 yards and three TDs. Nebraska drove the ball well, sustaining four drives of 11 plays or more, scoring on each. Nebraska's 39:35 time of possession was a season high (previous 37:45 vs. Kansas State).

◆ The 37-27 loss to Texas ended Nebraska's overall nine-game winning streak and ended its 31-game conference winning streak. It marks the first time in six years that NU did not win the conference crown. It also marks the first time Nebraska has lost to an unranked team since a 19-10 loss to Iowa State in 1992. It is just the 12th time in Osborne's 24-year career, that NU has lost to an unranked team in 195 tries. (Iowa State was the only loss in the Osborne era to a team that finished the season with a sub-.500 record). The 37 points was the most given up since allowing 45 to Oklahoma in Norman in 1990.

◆ Nebraska's streak of 39 straight games with at least one defensive QB sack ended vs. Texas. Nebraska finished the season with 47-304 yards lost, just two sacks short of the school record of 49-383 in 1985.

◆ True freshman **DeAngelo Evans**, who had a career-high 32 carries (previous most 25 vs. Colorado) for 130 yards vs. Texas and had 148 carries for 776 yards and 14 TDs on the season, including three TDs against Texas, a 2-yard run in the first quarter, a 23-yard TD in the second, and a 6-yard run with 2:11 remaining in the third. The first two times Evans' TD tied the score, the last score gave NU a 24-23 lead. The 6-yard run gave him more than 100 yards in the game (22-104 yards), marking the fourth time this year he passed the century mark. It marks the fifth time this year that Evans has scored two TDs in a game, the first time he scored three (tying NU season high). Evans had a career-best day receiving with six catches for 42 yards (previous best 1-11 vs. ISU). For his efforts, Evans was named the ABC/Chevrolet Nebraska Player-of-the-Game. Evans remains third all-time on the NU freshman rushing list, trailing Ahman Green's 1,086 yards as a true frosh last year, and Calvin Jones' 900 as a redshirt freshman in 1991. Evans' 14 TDs during a freshman season are the best ever by a Husker. It was Evans' first start, starting in place of sophomore **Ahman Green** who has a stress fracture in his left foot (second metatarsal, suffered in CU game).

◆ Texas took a 7-0 lead on Priest Holmes' 5-yard run marking the third time NU had trailed in a game this year (also Arizona State and Colorado) and Texas' 20-17 halftime lead was only the second time NU trailed at halftime (17-0 vs. ASU). Texas scored a season-high 20 points in the first half against NU (previous most this year was 17 by Arizona State) and scored the most points in a game against the Huskers this year, bettering Oklahoma's 21. Texas scored TDs against the Huskers on a 5-yard run in the first quarter, and a 61-yard run, both by Priest Holmes, in the second, a 66-yard pass to Wane McGarity in the fourth, and a 11-yard run by Holmes in the fourth. The 61-yard run was a season long against NU. The three rushing TDs mark just the fifth, sixth and seventh rushing TDs against NU this year, the first time a rushing TD has been achieved in any quarter other than the fourth quarter. It was the 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th TD scored against NU all year, the sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth against the No. 1 defense in 12 games. Texas had a season-best 353 passing yards vs. NU (previous most was 292 by ASU) and 503 total yards (previous most 401 by ASU). The last time a team

passed for more than 300 yards vs. NU was Wyoming in 1994 (344 yards). The last time a team recorded more than 500 total yards against a Husker squad was Kansas State in 1993 (565). Texas rushed for 150 yards against NU, just the fifth team to rush for more than 100 this year (best is 189 by Oklahoma).

◆ Senior **Eric Stokes** recorded his first interception this year, his second of his career (third if you count one vs. Florida in the Fiesta Bowl). He picked it off in the end zone with 5:59 remaining in the first quarter (pass rush by **Jared Tomich**). Nebraska converted the pickoff into a score, driving 80 yards to a two-yard Evans TD run (0:14 remaining in the first) to tie the score at 7-7. **Eric Warfield** picked off his third interception of the year with 0:33 remaining in the third quarter, with NU holding a 24-23 lead. NU converted that turnover to a 24-yard Kris Brown field goal. On the season, NU has converted turnovers to 169 points (counting one safety and one TD off a blocked punt). The Blackshirts have scored 58 points themselves this year. Texas converted a Nebraska fumble in the second quarter to a Phil Dawson 49-yard field goal with 11:50 remaining in the second quarter. The two interceptions by NU gives NU 23 interceptions for 350 yards this year, four have gone for TDs. It marked the ninth time NU has had at least two pickoffs in a game this year (all except ASU, 1; Baylor, none; and Texas Tech, none), and the sixth straight game that Nebraska has had at least two.

◆ **Individual Notes:** **Kris Brown's** 51-yard field goal was a career long, bettering the 50 yarder he had this season against Kansas State. Brown also had a 24-yard field goal to give NU a 27-23 lead with 10:11 remaining in the fourth. The 51-yarder marks his fourth field goal of 40 yards or more. Wingback **Jon Vedral** caught two key passes for first downs. He now has 20 catches on the season, and of those, 14 went for first downs. QB **Scott Frost** had 18 carries for 47 yards vs. Texas. The 18 carries is a career best (previous 14 carries vs. Texas Tech). His most yards rushing is 94 vs. Baylor. Frost completed 15-24 passes with no interceptions for 155 yards. He threw just three interceptions all year.

Coach Osborne Posts Nation's Best Winning Percentage, .828

Coach Tom Osborne (Hastings, 1959) is the winningest football coach in Division I-A (.828 winning percentage) with a 241-49-3 career and school record in 24 years and 293 games. He's ahead of Joe Paterno (Penn State, .793) and R. C. Slocum (Texas A&M, .779). Only six active Division I-A coaches have ever defeated Osborne, for a total of 12 losses. Osborne is third in victories among active coaches, behind Joe Paterno's 287 and Bobby Bowden's 271 at Florida State. Osborne is sixth on the all-time Division I-A coaching victories chart at 241, passing Woody Hayes (238) earlier this season. His winning percentage is second all-time among all divisions of head coaches who have posted at least 200 wins, trailing only Jake Gaither's .844 winning percentage (at Florida A&M, 1945-69). In 1993, Osborne became the first coach to reach the 200-win plateau in just 21 seasons, and in 1995, he hit the 230 win mark in exactly 23 seasons. He was named the national coach-of-the-year by the AFCA in 1994 and by Chevrolet in 1995. He also earned the Distinguished American Award and the Giant Steps Award in 1994-95. Osborne is in his 24th year as head coach of the Huskers and his 35th overall at NU, which includes an 11-year stint as an assistant under Bob Devaney. That's the longest tenure ever for a Nebraska coach, and the longest all-time in Big Eight history, passing Bennie Owen, who coached 22 years at Oklahoma from 1905-26. The dean of Big 12 football coaches, Osborne held Big Eight records for games coached (281) and won (231). Osborne's teams have won at least nine games every season and average 10 wins per year. He is second among active coaches in bowl appearances, third all time, having taken the Huskers to a bowl game in each of his 24 years. Osborne's teams have played 94 games against ranked (AP) teams and have won 56 (56-37-1). The Huskers have posted a 13-2 record vs. ranked teams over the last four years. That's an average of four games vs. ranked teams each year. Osborne's teams are 23-5-1 in games ranked as No. 1 and have been ranked No. 1 in a total of 41 polls. Osborne's teams have been ranked in the final AP poll every year and in 378 of the possible 381 AP polls. Under

Nebraska in Bowl Games:NU-Opp.

Year Bowl	Opp.	AP Rank	Res.	Score
1941* Rose	Stanford	7/2	L	13-21
1955* Orange	Duke	--/14	L	7-34
1962 Gotham	Miami	--/--	W	36-34
1964* Orange	Auburn	6/5	W	13-7
1965* Cotton	Arkansas	6/2	L	7-10
1966* Orange	Alabama	3/4	L	28-39
1967* Sugar	Alabama	6/3	L	7-34
(NCAA-Record 28 Straight Bowls Begin Here...)				
1969 Sun	Georgia	14/--	W	45-6
1971* Orange	Louisiana St.	3/5	W	17-12
1972* Orange	Alabama	1/2	W	38-6
1973* Orange	Notre Dame	9/12	W	40-6
1974* Cotton	Texas	12/8	W	19-3
1974 Sugar	Florida	8/18	W	13-10
1975 Fiesta	Arizona St.	6/7	L	14-17
1976 Astro-BB	Texas Tech	13/9	W	27-24
1977 Liberty	No.Carolina	12/14	W	21-17
1979* Orange	Oklahoma	6/4	L	24-31
1980* Cotton	Houston	7/8	L	14-17
1980 Sun	Miss. State	8/17	W	31-17
1982* Orange	Clemson	4/1	L	15-22
1983* Orange	Louisiana St.	3/13	W	21-20
1984* Orange	Miami	1/5	L	30-31
1985* Sugar	Louisiana St.	4/12	W	28-10
1986* Fiesta	Michigan	7/5	L	23-27
1987* Sugar	Louisiana St.	6/5	W	30-15
1988* Fiesta	Florida St.	5/3	L	28-31
1989* Orange	Miami	6/2	L	3-23
1990* Fiesta	Florida St.	6/5	L	17-41
1991* Citrus	Ga. Tech	19/2	L	21-45
1992* Orange	Miami	11/1	L	0-22
1993* Orange	Florida St.	11/3	L	14-27
1994* Orange	Florida St.	2/1	L	16-18
1995* Orange	Miami	1/3	W	24-17
1996* Fiesta	Florida	1/2	W	62-24

NU Bowl Facts: 35 Bowls (ranks fifth all time); 28 Consecutive (since 1969, NCAA record), 16th straight "Jan. 1" "Major Bowl" (NCAA record); Overall Bowl Record: 16-18-0 (6-9 in Orange); Record Under Osborne (1973-present): 10-13-0 (2-7-0 in Orange Bowl)
*New Year's Day Bowls

NU BOWL NOTES: In the last seven bowls, NU has played a team ranked No. 1-3, while NU was no higher than 11th in three of those years. For the last 11 years, NU has played a team which was ranked no lower than fifth.

Top 20, Bowl Appearances by School:

School:	Consecutive:			
	All-Time:	Most:	Current:	NewYr:
1. Alabama	48	25	--	--
2. USC	38	8	--	--
3. Texas	37	9	3	2
Tennessee	37	10	7	--
5. Nebraska	35	28*	28*	16*
6. Penn State	33	13	8	--
7. Oklahoma	32	8	--	--
Georgia	32	10	--	--
9. Louisiana St.	30	5, 5	2	--
10. Ohio State	29	15	8	1
11. Arkansas	28	6, 6	--	--
Michigan	28	22	22	1
13. Ga. Tech	25	6	--	--
Mississippi	25	15	--	--
Auburn	25	9	2	--
Florida State	25	15	15	6
17. Florida	24	6	6	4
18. Washington	23	8	2	--
19. Texas A&M	22	6	6	--
Miami	22	12	1	--
Texas Tech	22	4	4	--

(NewYr.--New Year's Day--Jan. 1 or Jan. 2 bowls through 1994, Alliance plus Rose 1995--)

*NCAA record

Osborne, the Huskers have finished in the AP top 10, 16 times and in the AP top 20, 22 times, a figure which is second among active coaches. Last season's Big Eight Championship was Coach Osborne's 12th and fifth consecutive. In Osborne's 24-year career at NU, his teams have scored 10,669 points, compared to his opponents' 4,110. Osborne is 129-15-0 at home, 112-34-3 on the road. He posts a 152-24-2 conference record, 68-11 at home. Osborne is 0-0 against Virginia Tech, 5-4 vs. the Big East.

AP Poll Record Streak Hits 256

Nebraska extended its AP Poll record to 256 consecutive weeks (every weekly AP Poll since Oct. 12, 1981). After losing to Texas, Nebraska dropped to sixth in the final regular-season AP poll. Nebraska opened the season ranked No. 1 for the first five polls, before losing to ASU. The drop from No. 1 ended a 12-poll streak in which Nebraska had been ranked No. 1. Nebraska was ranked No. 1 by AP eight weeks in 1994, seven in 1995, five in 1996 and a total of 58 times in the history of the poll, which began in 1936. Its two streaks of 15 consecutive weeks being ranked No. 1 (1970-72, and entire 1983 season) still rank in a tie for third. The Huskers have played in 44 games as the No. 1 team (37-6-1) and have spent at least some time atop one of the two major polls the last four seasons. Nebraska's top 10 preseason ranking by AP marked the 21st time under Osborne that NU opened the season in the top 10. This year's preseason No. 1 ranking was the Huskers' highest since a No. 1 preseason ranking in 1983. Nebraska also opened the season as No. 1 in 1965, 1972 and 1976. Nebraska has been in 430 of the last 433 AP polls since 1969 (378 of 381 under Osborne since 1973), missing one week in 1977 and two in 1981.

Husker Defense Takes Charge

Sacks and Pickoffs Go Hand in Hand

The defense has applied 47 sacks pushing teams back 304 yards (compared to 10-66 by opponents). The Husker defense has picked off 23 passes returning them 350 yards and scoring four TDs compared to just 3-33 and one TD by opponents. In fact, Nebraska has a 238-yard advantage on sacks and 317-yard advantage on interception returns. Nebraska also holds a 546-yard advantage on punt returns (679-133) and a 28-yard advantage on fumble returns (32-4), crediting the Blackshirts for a season advantage of 1,129 yards compared to their opponents' defense. Nebraska finished the season two sacks (and 79 yards) short of the school record (49-383 in 1985) and one short of the NU record for touchdowns by interceptions with four.

Interceptions Key Difference Maker on Both Sides of Ball

The Huskers have picked off 23 passes and returned them 350 yards, including four TDs: Mike Minter 84 yards vs. Michigan State; Grant Wistrom nine yards vs. Michigan State; Ralph Brown 83 yards vs. Oklahoma; and Jay Foreman 21 yards vs. Colorado. NU is 12th in the nation in turnover margin at plus 11 (minus nine on fumbles but plus 20 on pickoffs). The Huskers' 23 pickoffs is the most by any team in the nation this season, while first-year quarterback **Scott Frost** (and the Huskers) has only thrown three interceptions in 12 games and 200 attempts. This ranks third nationally and just out of first place. Army and Ohio have each thrown two on the year. Nine times this year NU has had at least two pickoffs in a game (all except ASU, 1, Baylor, none, and Texas Tech, none), and Nebraska has had at least two pickoffs in the last six outings.

Husker Defense Continues to Dominate

The Husker defense ranks in the top seven nationally in all four categories and ranks eighth in net punting and 39th in punt returns. The defense is most stingy against the rush, allowing just 83.8 yards per game to rank fifth nationally. Only five teams have rushed for more than 100 yards (109 to Arizona State, 102 to Texas Tech, season-best 189 by Oklahoma, 138 by Iowa State, and 150 by Texas). Kansas had the lowest total this year with 21 yards on 30 carries. While the Nebraska offense has 45 rushing TDs, the Nebraska defense has allowed just seven. Four of the seven have come in the fourth quarter and only three were against first or second team Huskers. NU opponents average 2.3 yards per carry and have achieved just 63 first downs by rush (compared to Nebraska's 190). On the season, the Blackshirts have forced three-and-outs on 72 of 169 drives (43 percent) and have allowed just 16 drives to hit the red zone. Inside the red zone, opponents have scored 13 times on seven TDs (five rush, two pass) and on six field goals, while the Huskers have converted 56 of 68 drives inside the redzone, 47 to TDs (38 rush, nine pass) and nine field goals. NU's opponents have converted on 45 of 184 third-down conversions for the season (24 percent). The Husker offense meanwhile is 92 of 189 on third-down conversions this year (49 percent).

No. 1 Defense Has Allowed Nine TDs on Season

Nebraska has only allowed 15 offensive TDs total in 12 games. The No. 1 defense has only given up nine TDs total in 12 games, three by rush. Those nine scores include a one-yard pass by Michigan State in the third quarter (set up by a fumbled Nebraska punt); a 25-yard pass by

Arizona State in the first quarter; a 32-yard pass by Colorado State in the second quarter; a 77-yard pass by Kansas in the second quarter; a 22-yard pass by Iowa State in the third quarter; and four by Texas, a five-yard rush in the first, a 61-yard run in the second and two TDs in the fourth quarter (66 pass and 11 run).

Husker Defense Sets Tone on First Series

Arizona State, Colorado and Texas are the only three teams to have scored against the No. 1 defense on its first drive (ASU-touchdown, CU-field goal, Texas-touchdown). The Blackshirts have forced three-and-outs against Michigan State (three yards), Kansas State (two yards), Baylor (three yards), Kansas (-14 yards) and Oklahoma (-11 yards), and caused turnovers against Texas Tech (one play that resulted in a 21-yard fumble return for a touchdown) and Iowa State (lost one yard on a five-play series, resulted in a fumble that NU converted to the game's first score). Colorado State missed on a field goal.

Defending the Goal

Nebraska has allowed just 111 points in nine conference games (12.3 ppg). Of those 111 points, just 46 have come before halftime and NU's defense has allowed three offensive touchdowns before halftime in conference play (77-yard pass by Kansas, five-yard run by Texas, 61-yard run by Texas). The other 25 points are on four field goals (one by K-State, one by Texas Tech, two by Colorado, two by Texas) and a defensive touchdown by Texas Tech. Before Colorado (which took a 6-0 first-quarter lead on two field goals until Nebraska scored a go-ahead TD), Nebraska had taken leads of 21-0, 52-0, 51-0 and 35-0 before allowing its previous four opponents (Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Iowa State) to score a single point.

Defense Has Outscored its Opponents

In 12 games, opponents have scored a total of 153 points (12.8 per game) on 15 offensive TDs (seven rushing, eight passing), 12 field goals, 12 PATs and three safeties. The Husker Blackshirts (first-team defense) are only accountable for 140 points (11.7 ppg). Meanwhile, NU's defense has triggered 169 points off turnovers (includes one safety and one TD off a blocked punt). NU Blackshirts have scored 58 points themselves on eight TDs and a safety (28 on four interception returns, seven on one fumble return, 14 on two punt returns, seven on a blocked punt/return). Nebraska finished the season two points away from the school record for points scored by the defense, second only to the 1971 team that scored 60 points. The 58 points by the 1996 team bettered the 50 scored by the 1995 team. On the Husker defense, Coach Osborne said, *"I don't know that I've ever seen a defense, as a team, that could be so disruptive."*

Defensive Leaders

Nebraska boasts arguably the nation's best rush ends in a pair of All-Americans **Jared Tomich** (Lombardi finalist) and **Grant Wistrom** (defensive player-of-the-year finalist). Wistrom has 75 tackles, leads the team in sacks with 9.5-48, interceptions caused (four) and in tackles for loss with 20-74. Wistrom also has two blocked kicks, a fumble caused, a nine-yard interception return for a TD and 15 QB hurries. Tomich leads the team in quarterback hurries with 23 and in fumbles caused with four and also has five sacks to go with his 41 tackles and 10 tackles for loss. Butkus Award nominee **Jamel Williams** leads the team in tackles with 97, is third in tackles for loss with 12-54, has two breakups and three interceptions. Senior linebacker **Jon Hesse** is second on the team with 85 tackles, including 11-53 TFL, and defensive tackle **Jason Peter** has 58 tackles, 10 for losses and 17 QB hurries with three interceptions caused. Senior rover **Mike Minter** has been Nebraska's starting rover in all 12 games, but spent considerable time at Will linebacker against Colorado and Texas. **Ryan Terwilliger** started the last two games at Will for the departed Terrell Farley, but Minter is also available. Minter has 51 tackles, six breakups and five interceptions for 129 yards with one TD (84 yards vs. Michigan State). He ranks 27th nationally in interceptions per game (.44). When Minter moves to Will LB, **Eric Stokes** plays rover

and **Eric Warfield** takes over for Stokes at free safety. Warfield has 39 tackles, three interceptions, three breakups and three blocked punts. Stokes has five breakups, one interception and 45 tackles. Cornerback **Michael Booker** has eight breakups and one interception, while true freshman cornerback **Ralph Brown**, the first Husker position player to start the first game of his freshman year (since WWII), has a team-best 12 breakups and four interceptions, including one for an 83-yard TD against Oklahoma. Brown's 12 breakups mark just the second time in school history, since records were kept (1965) that an individual has had double-figure breakups. In fact, Brown finished just one behind Barron Miles' school-record 13 breakups in 1994. The young Californian had a single-season school-record seven breakups against Colorado.

Defense On Three-Year Roll Against the Rush

For the third consecutive year, the Husker defense allowed opponents less than 85 yards rushing per game. This year the Husker "D" allowed an average of 83.8 yards per game rushing and ranked fifth nationally. Last year NU finished second nationally against the rush allowing 78.4 ypg and in 1994, NU allowed 79.3 ypg (fourth nationally). Those two totals rank second and fourth all-time at NU respectively, while this year's total ranks fifth. Since 1946, the Nebraska defense has allowed 100 or fewer rushing yards per game just 11 times, the first of which was 1963. The school record of 67.5 yards allowed, was recorded in 1967.

Year: Rushing YPG Allowed:

1967	67.5
1995	78.4
1984	78.8
1994	79.3
1996	83.8
1971	85.9
1980	88.0
1979	93.1
1986	95.6
1966	99.7
1963	99.9

Highs and Lows

Defense: The Blackshirts' season bests are 21 yards rushing by Kansas; four interceptions against Oklahoma; 61 yards passing by Kansas State; 86 yards of total offense by Kansas State; and 0 points by Baylor.

Offense: NU rushed for a season-best 491 yards vs. Baylor and has rushed for more than 300 in five games. NU had a season-best 669 yards of total offense vs. Baylor; a season-high 273 passing vs. Kansas; and 73 points against Oklahoma.

Rushing Title Goes to Army

Nebraska finished 54.6 yards short of a third consecutive rushing title. Army was first averaging 346.5 ypg. NU averaged 291.9 yards per game on the ground, good for fourth in the final NCAA rankings. Nebraska has finished in the top four in rushing for the past 19 years (since 1977, when NU ranked seventh at 302.5 ypg).

Husker I-Backs Average 180 Yards Per Game

The Husker I-backs were all nursing injuries before the Colorado and Texas games. Only sophomore **Ahman Green** remains questionable for the bowl game. Green suffered a stress fracture in the second metatarsal on his left foot, before the Colorado game, just when he had finally recovered from a turf toe injury. He will be re-evaluated in mid-December, and although he is not ruled out of the bowl game, he is doubtful. **DeAngelo Evans** has suffered from a groin pull, and **Damon Benning** and **Jay Sims** both suffered sprained ankles at the end of the season. Despite their injuries, the Husker I-backs have been performing well all season, and one of the four always seems to come through with an outstanding game. Green has started every game except Baylor (turf toe) and Texas (stress fracture) and has had three 100-yard rushing days, 163 against Colorado State, 161

Tom Osborne's Losses to Active College Coaches

Coch. School	Wins over Osborne
Bobby Bowden, Florida State	6
Joe Paterno, Penn State	2
Danny Ford, Arkansas*	1
Hayden Fry, Iowa	1
John Mackovic, Texas	1
Bruce Snyder, Arizona State	1
Total	12

◆ **Note:** Only six active coaches have ever defeated a Tom-Osborne team, a total of 12 times (five of the 12 losses have been in bowl games)... (*Ford was at Clemson when he defeated Osborne.)

Nebraska in 1996 Rankings (1st Place Votes)

Week	AP	CNN	Last Game Results
Preseason	1 (50)	1 (47)	
Aug. 26	1	1	
Sept. 1	1 (49)	1 (51)	
Sept. 8	1 (57)	1 (57)	Def. Michigan St. 55-14
Sept. 15	1 (58)	1 (58)	Idle
Sept. 22	8	7	Lost to No. 17/22 ASU, 0-19
Sept. 29	7	6	Def. Colorado St., 65-9
Oct. 6	5	4	Def. No. 16/12 KSU, 39-3
Oct. 13	5	4	Def. Baylor, 49-0
Oct. 20	5	5	Def. Texas Tech, 24-10
Oct. 27	5	5	Def. Kansas, 63-7
Nov. 3	5	5	Def. Oklahoma, 73-21
Nov. 10	5	5	Def. Missouri, 51-3
Nov. 17	5	5	Def. Iowa State, 49-14
Nov. 24	4	4	Idle
Dec. 1	3	3	Def. No. 5/5 Colorado, 17-12
Dec. 8	6	6	Lost to Texas, 37-27

Note: NU has been ranked No. 1 in the AP poll 58 times in the history of the poll, which began in 1936, with a school-record (third-best overall) 15 consecutive weeks twice and has played in 44 games as the No. 1 team, winning 37.

Husker Rushing Facts:

- ◆ Nebraska is 152-5-0 when rushing for 300 or more yards in a game, since 1973 under Osborne.
- ◆ The Huskers have won 74-straight games when rushing for 300-plus yards.
- ◆ NU is 78-0 in the Osborne-era when rushing for 400 or more yards, last time 491 vs. Baylor, 1996.
- ◆ In 1995, Nebraska won its 10th NCAA rushing title under Coach Osborne, 12th overall.
- ◆ In the 1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida, Nebraska set an NCAA bowl rushing record with 524 yards.

Consecutive Winning Seasons

1. Notre Dame	42	1889-1932
2. Alabama	38	1911-50
3. Nebraska	35	1962-96*

*current NCAA record streak

Longest Home Winning Streaks

1. Miami	58	1985-94
2. Alabama	57	1963-82
3. Harvard	56	1890-95
4. Michigan	50	1901-07
5. Texas	42	1968-76
6. Notre Dame	40	1907-18
7. Notre Dame	38	1919-27
8/9. Yale	37	1900-03 & 1904-08
10. Nebraska	36	1991-96*
11. Nebraska	33	1901-06
Harvard	33	1900-03

*current NCAA record streak

against Missouri and a career-best 214 yards on a career-high 29 carries against Iowa State. Before the break, Green had 375 yards against Missouri and Iowa State combined but had just three carries for nine yards against the Buffaloes. Green finished 83 yards short of becoming the first Husker since Calvin Jones to rush for 1,000 yards in back-to-back seasons. He would have been the first to do so as a frosh/sophomore. Green has 917 yards on 155 carries (5.9) with seven TDs. Only five Huskers have ever accomplished back-to-back 1,000 yard rushing seasons (Jarvis Redwine, 1979-80; Mike Rozier, 1982-83; Doug DuBose, 1984-85; Ken Clark, 1988-89; and Calvin Jones, 1992-93). Green's nine yards against Colorado did put him over the career 2,000 mark. He ranks 17th all time at NU and became the 17th Husker to rush for more than 2,000 yards in his career, as he now has 2,003. Senior **Damon Benning** started in Green's place against Baylor and recorded his first 100-yard rushing day this season, the third of his career. When Green went out in the second half of the KSU game, true freshman **DeAngelo Evans** recorded a career-high 168 yards. Evans recorded his second 100-yard day the next game against Baylor, when both he and Benning had over 100, with Benning rushing for 135 and three TDs, and Evans had 105 and two TDs. Evans' best days seem to come against ranked opponents. K-State was ranked 16th by AP when Evans had 168 yards, and against No. 5 Colorado, Evans recorded his third 100-yard rushing day with a game-high 123 on a career-high 25 carries, including one seven-yard TD. Evans followed that with a 130-yard performance in his first start against Texas. Evans set a school freshman rushing record with 14 TDs, scoring at least two five different times with a season-best three against Texas. Nebraska's fourth I-back, **Jay Sims** led the Huskers and had a career-best 7-98-2 against Oklahoma. Sims has 288 yards and three TDs on the season. Combined, the top three average 179.3 yards per game, on 32.3 carries per game and 5.6 yards per carry. As a true freshman last year, Green totaled 1,086 yards rushing, setting the frosh rushing record. Benning had 323 as a freshman to rank eighth, while Evans' 776 this season ranks third, behind Calvin Jones' 900 in 1991. Benning has 465 yards on 85 carries and seven TDs. Although he returned kickoffs, Benning did not play from the I-back position against Texas because of a sprained ankle. Starting fullback **Brian Schuster** and his backup **Joel Makovick** have combined for 332 yards on 69 carries (4.8 ypc) with one TD (by Schuster).

Husker I-Back Trio in 1996

Player	G/S	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TDs	YPG	YPC
Ahman Green	10/10	155	956	39	917	7	91.7	5.9
DeAngelo Evans	11/1	148	791	15	776	14	70.5	5.2
Damon Benning	11/1	85	487	22	465	7	46.5	5.5
Totals	12/12	388	2,234	76	2,158	28	184.4	5.6

Husker Punter Sets School Record

Junior punter **Jesse Kosch** had an excellent junior season for the Huskers. Kosch ranked third in the Big 12, and 11th nationally with a school-record 44.7 punting average. Behind Kosch's strong left leg, Nebraska's team net punting average of 41.0 ranks eighth nationally. Kosch broke a 15-year-old school record, averaging 44.7 yards per punt this season. The previous record was 43.36 yards per punt by Grant Campbell in 1981. Kosch had a season-best 61-yard punt against Colorado State and posted his best single-game average this season at 49.0 yards per boot against Missouri. Against ASU, he saw the most action in his career, when he punted eight times for 367 yards and a 45.9 average. Kosch has averaged more than 40 yards per punt in all but two games (except Iowa State when he had just one punt for 31 yards, and Texas, averaged 39.0) and more than 45.0 ypp in seven games (42.0 vs. MSU; 45.9 vs. ASU; 47.7 vs. CSU; 45.0 vs. KSU; 0 vs. Baylor--one blocked; 48.0 vs. TTU; 48.0 vs. KU; 42.0 vs. OU; 49.0 vs. MU; 31.0 vs. ISU; 45.8 vs. CU; 39.0 vs. UT). This year he has had 13 of his 44 punts go 50 yards or more, 32 go more than 40 yards and 24 times he has pinned opponents inside their 20.

Kris Brown Continues to Move up on Career Charts

After setting a Husker freshman scoring record in 1996 with 97 points, **Kris Brown** is making an early assault on the NU scoring records. Brown again led the Huskers in scoring with 86 points on the season (7.2 ppg, ranked 49th nationally). He is 12-19 on field goals, 50-51 on PATs. He has scored 183 points in his career to rank 14th in scoring at Nebraska, sixth among kickers. He is fourth in career field goals made, with 25-35, with the school record sitting at 27 by Dale Klein (1984-86) and fourth in PATs with 108-112. Brown's field goals made this season include three over 40 yards with a career-best 51-yarder against Texas in the Big 12 Championship.

Senior Receivers Lead Huskers

Seniors **Brendan Holbein** at split end and **Jon Vedral** at wingback, are two of the best blockers the Huskers have had in recent years. In addition, they lead NU in receptions this season. Holbein leads the team with 23-335 and four TDs to total 47-592 in his career, to rank

in a 19th-place tie in receptions and 28th in receiving yards. Vedral has 20 receptions this season for 300 yards and one TD, including a career-long catch of 41 yards (from Scott Frost) against Baylor. Of Vedral's 20 catches, 14 have gone for first downs for the Huskers, including all six of his catches in the Oklahoma and Missouri games and two of three in the Texas game. The ISU game marked the first time in 22 games Vedral did not have a reception. He is also the Husker holder on PATs and field goals. Junior **Vershan Jackson**, a converted fullback, has played excellent this season at tight end, and caught a career-best two touchdown passes (on career-best three receptions) against Iowa State. Jackson is third in receiving with 13 catches for 220 yards and four TDs.

Husker QB Third in Country With Just Three Interceptions

Scott Frost is ranked 32nd nationally in passing efficiency at 130.9 rating points. In his first year as Nebraska's starting QB, he has led NU to a 10-2 record and a No. 6 national ranking. An excellent athlete and a good runner, he is one of four Huskers who have rushed for more than 400 yards this season, and has scored nine TDs by rush (second best on team), 13 by pass, for 22 total offense scores. On the season, Frost has passed for more than 1,400 yards, completing 104-204 passes for 1,440 yards, 13 TDs and just three interceptions. His 1,440 passing yards rank eighth on the Nebraska season chart and better fourth-year senior Tommie Frazier's 1,362 passing yards of 1995. Frost is 10th on the

season total offense chart with 1,878 yards. In just his first year after transferring from Stanford, Frost already ranks 16th at NU in career passing. He has completed 52 percent of his passes on the season. In the last six games, he completed 60 of 107 passes (56 percent) for 845 yards, throwing for at least 100 in five of those contests, and producing a 9-1 touchdown-interception ratio. His best passing day is 254 yards against Kansas (12-16) while his best rushing day is 90 yards against Baylor

(12 attempts). He has only been sacked 10 times in 12 games. He has either rushed for a TD or thrown a TD strike in nine of 12 games this year (except ASU, Colorado and Texas).

Husker O-Line Continues to Put Up the Numbers

Three returning starters from the Husker offensive line a year ago were the strong force on the 1996 O-line that averaged 291.9 yards per game rushing (fourth nationally), 422.4 yards of total offense (25th), 42.7 points per game (fourth). The O-line has allowed only 10 sacks all year and had just eight penalties called on the line this year. Despite shifting from guard to center, Aaron Taylor was a first-team All-American as named by the Football Writers, Football News and Walter Camp. Taylor and Chris Dishman, who switched from left tackle to left guard this season, were both Outland Trophy semifinalists and All-Big 12 First-Team honorees by both the AP and coaches. Right tackle **Eric Anderson** was second-team all-league. Taylor led the team in "pancakes" (knock-down blocks) with 113 total in 12 games (9.4 per game). First-year starters **Adam Treu** and **Jon Zatechka** were solid replacements. The sixth man in the game is sophomore Josh Heskew, who takes over at center. At that point, Taylor plays a couple more series at right or left guard and Dishman moves back to left tackle.

Five True Freshmen Contribute on Season

Nebraska played five true freshmen this year, including cornerback **Ralph Brown**, who started every game at right corner, marking the first

time since World War II that a true freshman position player has ever started the season-opening game. Other first-year players include I-back **DeAngelo Evans** (one start), defensive tackle **Steve Warren** (six tackles, one-half of a sack, one breakup, one fumble recovery); split end **J.R. Edwards** (one reception for 10 yards, injured in early part of season, seeking medical hardship); and cornerback **Mike Brown** (12 tackles, one interception for a 44-yard return vs. Kansas, one breakup). The five scholarship true freshmen, are the most Nebraska has played since freshmen regained eligibility in 1972.

Senior Class Posts Unprecedented 46-3 Record Over Four Years

The 1996 senior class has had a phenomenal four-year run. No other team in the history of Division I football can claim to have won 46 games over any four-year period, or 36 games over a three-year period (total before this season). The recruiting class of 1992, will always have these accomplishments to brag about to their grandchildren:

- ◆ Two National Championships
- ◆ An Unprecedented 46-3-0 Record Over Four Years
- ◆ Three Conference Crowns
- ◆ A Perfect 26-0 Home Record

Five Fullbacks Have a Lot in Common

The Huskers' top five fullbacks all came to Nebraska as walk-ons, but none of them had to come too far because all five also hail from Nebraska. The five fullbacks include senior **Brian Schuster** (Fullerton); sophomore **Joel Makovicka** (Brainard); sophomore **Billy Legate** (Elgin); sophomore **Josh Cobb** (Wallace); and freshman **Ben Kingston** (Omaha). Cobb played six-man football at Wallace High School, while Makovicka and Legate played eight-man football at East Butler High School, and Clearwater, respectively.

Several Huskers to Play in All-Star Games

Following the bowl game, several Huskers are scheduled to participate in postseason all-star games. The preliminary list includes: **Adam Treu**--East-West Shrine Game, San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 11; **Jared Tomich**, **Chris Dishman**, **Mike Minter**, **Jamel Williams**--Senior Bowl, Mobile, Ala., Jan. 18; **Brian Schuster**--Hula Bowl, Jan. 19, Honolulu, Hawaii, Jan. 19.

The Next Game--NU vs. Virginia Tech

About the Hokies

The Virginia Tech Hokies (Blacksburg, Va., enrollment: 23,873) have posted back-to-back 10-win seasons and have won 20 of their last 21 games. The 1996 Federal Express Orange Bowl marks Tech's fourth consecutive bowl berth and 10th bowl overall. The Hokies are 3-6 in bowls, 2-1 under Head Coach Frank Beamer. In 1996, the Hokies have beaten three teams in consecutive weeks who were ranked at gametime, including Miami, 21-7; West Virginia, 31-14; and Virginia, 26-9; in the last three weeks of the season. Their only loss was on Sept. 28 at Syracuse, 52-21. Quarterback Jim Druckenmiller shared Big East Co-Offensive Player-of-the-Year honors with Syracuse QB Donovan McNabb. Druckenmiller, a 6-4 senior, averaged 206.8 yards per game in total offense. He completed 142 of 250 passes (56.8) for 2,071 yards and 17 touchdowns with only five interceptions for a 144.8 NCAA pass rating. His favorite receivers are junior flanker Shawn Scales (30 catches, 510 yards, four TDs), senior split end Cornelious White (30-449-4) and junior split end Michael Stuewe (25-385-5). Tech's leading rusher is junior tailback Ken Oxendine, who in nine games carried 150 times for 890 yards and 13 TDs. Tech ranks among the nation's top 25 in rushing (227.6 ypg, 19th); scoring (31.7 ppg, 24th); rushing defense (112.0 ypg, 19th); total defense (316.1 ypg, 24th) and scoring defense (15.3, 9th). Senior Brandon Semones (88 tackles, five sacks) and senior Myron Newsome (84 tackles, one sack) lead the defense, which recorded 43 sacks, seven blocked kicks and 12 interceptions this year. Senior Cornell Brown leads the team in sacks (eight), and senior Antonio Banks leads the team in interceptions (four).



Husker QB Scott Frost recorded the school's eighth-best year in passing totals with 1,440 yards and just three interceptions.

Top 10 NU Frosh Rushing Seasons:

Player (year)	Att.	Yds	Avg.	TDs
1. A. Green, IB* ('95)	141	1086	7.7	13
2. C. Jones, IB ('91)	108	900	8.3	4
3. D. Evans, IB* ('96)	148	776	5.2	14
4. M. Anthony, IB* ('74)	109	587	5.4	6
5. L. Phillips, IB* ('93)	92	508	5.2	5
6. T. Frazier, QB* ('92)	86	399	4.6	7
7. D. Brown, IB ('90)	59	375	6.4	5
8. D. Benning, IB ('93)	55	323	5.9	4
9. M. Joseph, QB ('88)	24	215	9.0	3
10. L. Flowers, IB ('88)	32	202	6.3	2

*true freshmen

Game Day Awards

Michigan State, Sept. 7: Mike Minter, Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Week; Dallas Morning News Defensive Player-of-the-Week; ABC/Chevrolet Nebraska Player-of-the-Game

Kansas State, Oct. 5: DeAngelo Evans, ABC/Chevrolet Nebraska Player-of-the-Game

Texas Tech, Oct. 19: Terrell Farley, ABC/Chevrolet Nebraska Player-of-the-Game

Oklahoma, Nov. 2: Scott Frost, ABC/Chevrolet Nebraska Player-of-the-Game

Colorado, Nov. 29: Grant Wistrom, ABC/Chevrolet Nebraska Player-of-the-Game; Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Week

Texas, Dec. 7: DeAngelo Evans, ABC/Chevrolet Nebraska Player-of-the-Game

Academic Awards

Jon Hesse--Burger King Scholar Athlete-of-the-Week, Sept. 12, 1996, \$10,000 in his name donated to UNL general scholarship fund; Westwood I Nebraska Academic Honoree; Fox Sports Net Scholar-Athlete-of-the-Week vs. CSU, Sept. 28

Ryan Terwilliger--Westwood I Nebraska Academic Honoree

Huskers With 100-Yard Rushing Games

Ahman Green, IB (1995-96)	8
DeAngelo Evans, IB (1996)	4
Damon Benning, IB (1993-94-95-96)	3

Huskers Lead Nation in Academic Honors

◆ Nebraska leads the nation in all sports and in football first-team GTE Academic All-Americans with 84 and 50, respectively (44 under Coach Tom Osborne).

◆ Across all teams and all sports, NU leads the nation with 145 first-, second- and third-team Academic All-Americans.

◆ Nebraska has produced 50 first-team football GTE Academic All-America honorees.

◆ Eight of Osborne's Cornhuskers, including 1995 winner Aaron Graham, have received the NCAA's highest honor for student-athletes--selection as one of "Today's Top Six/Eight." That's the most for any individual sports program in the country and more than half of NU's nation-leading 12 total selections.

A pair of freshmen handle the kicking duties for Virginia Tech. Jim Kibble is the punter, averaging 37.3 yards per punt, while place-kicker Shayne Graham is 10-16 on the year in field goals. Scales is also a dangerous return man with 14 punt returns for 125 yards (8.9 ypr) and 12-312 kickoff returns (26.0 ypr). An experienced team, 13 of Tech's 22 starters are seniors and all but three are of junior or senior standing.

At the Helm

A former star player at Tech, Coach Frank Beamer (Virginia Tech, 1969) is in his 10th year at the Tech helm. Beamer posts a 61-51-2 school record and is 103-74-4 in 16 years as a head coach, including a six-year stint at Murray State. Beamer is 37-11 over the past four seasons and was recently named the Big East Coach-of-the-Year. The 10 regular-season wins in 1996 is a first for Virginia Tech.

Huskers Rank in Top 20 in 10 of 12 NCAA Categories

NU is among the nation's top 25 in 10 of 12 NCAA categories, rank among the top 12 in nine and lead the Big 12 in six categories, including rushing, scoring, kickoff returns, rushing defense, total defense and scoring defense. Below is a team comparison of all categories for Nebraska and Virginia Tech. The defense has ranked in the top 10 in all four statistical categories four times (1967, 1984, 1994, 1996), three of those years have been under Defensive Coordinator Charlie McBride (who was a finalist for the first-ever Frank Broyles Assistant Coach Award). The 1996 season marks the second time in the last three years that NU's defense has been in the top 10 across the board.

Comparing the Teams

(NCAA Rank, bold-top 25 rank, *leads Big 12)

	Nebraska	Virginia Tech
Rushing	291.9 (4)*	227.6 (19)
Passing Yards	130.5 (100)	189.4 (58)
Total Offense	422.42 (25)	417.0 (27)
Scoring Offense	42.7 (4)*	31.7 (24)
Rushing Defense	83.8 (5)*	112.0 (19)
Pass Eff. Defense	91.9 (7)	99.4 (16)
Total Defense	255.4 (7)*	316.1 (24)
Scoring Defense	12.8 (5)*	15.3 (9)
Net Punting	41.0 (8)	32.4 (102)
KO Returns	25.2 (6)*	19.4 (74)
Punt Returns	10.6 (39)	9.4 (55)
Turnover Margin	0.92 (12)	-0.09 (63)

Individual Huskers Ranked in NCAA Top 35: Scott Frost, passing efficiency, 32nd, 130.9 pts.; Mike Minter, interceptions, 0.42 ipg, tied for 27th*; Jesse Kosch, punting, 44.70 ypg, 11th; Mike Fullman, punt returns, 11.9 ypr, 26th; Shevin Wiggins, punt returns, 13.5, (would be 11th if had 1.2 returns per game); Damon Benning, kickoff returns, 23.9 ypr (would be 29th if had 1.2 returns per game); DeAngelo Evans, scoring, 7.64 ppg, 35th; kickoff returns, 23.6 (would be 32nd if had 1.2 returns per game).

HuskerNotes

◆ **NU Continues Unprecedented Winning Tradition...**Nebraska, the nation's eighth winningest program all time, boasts a 708-292-40 record in 1,040 games (.700) all time. In the has had just one season under Tom Osborne in which the Huskers were minus in turnover margin (1984, minus five). NU was even in TO margin in 1987, and had a plus margin in the other 22 seasons. This year NU is plus 11 in turnover margin and in 24 seasons under Osborne, NU has a cumulative TO margin of plus-161.

Nebraska Points Off Turnovers

Game	TO's Gained	Scores	TDs	FG-FGA	Pct.	Pts.
vs. MSU	4	4	0-0	1.00		28
vs. ASU	1	0	0-0	.000		0
vs. CSU	3	2	0-0	.667		14
vs. KSU	3	1	0-1	.333		7
vs. BU	0	0	0-0	.000		0
vs. TTU	3	2	0-0	.667		14
vs. KU	3	3	0-0	1.000		21
vs. OU	5	4	1-1	1.000		31

Notre Dame's 42 (1889-1932) and Alabama's 38 (1911-50). By decade, the Huskers were 75-30-1 in the '60s (.712); 98-20-4 in the '70s (.820); 103-20-0 in the '80s (.837) and 73-11-1 in the '90s (.865, 85 games). Last year, Nebraska became just the third team in NCAA Division I history to post 35 or more wins in a three-year period (36-1-0), joining Toledo (35-0-0, 1969-71) and Brigham Young (35-4, 1983-85).

◆ **Huskers Break School Record For Consecutive Home Wins...**NU's 36-game current home winning streak is the nation's longest, 10th best all time in NCAA Division I-A, and is a school record, bettering Nebraska's streak of 33 from 1901-1906 (the nation's 11th longest streak). In that 36-game stretch, Nebraska has defeated eight ranked teams and has outscored its 36 opponents by a cumulative score of 1,739 (48.3) to 489 (13.6) and has scored 38 or more points 29 times. NU has not lost more than one home game in a season under Coach Osborne since a 5-2 home record in 1980. The Huskers are 424-121-20 (.768, 565 games) in Lincoln, 299-98-13 (.745, 410 games) in Memorial Stadium (since 1923) and 139-16-0 (.897) at home under Coach Osborne. NU is 57-2 at home in the last nine years, losing only to teams who went on to win a share of the national championship (Colorado in 1990 and Washington in 1991). Since 1986, the Huskers are 67-4 in Lincoln, with losses only to Colorado, Washington and Oklahoma (twice). Those four teams, which won in Lincoln, posted a combined mark of 45-3-1 on their respective seasons. Since 1980, NU has a 100-9 record at home with eight of those losses coming against teams that finished in the top six in the final AP poll. Nebraska has not been shut out at home since a 12-0 loss to Kansas State in 1968.

◆ **Nebraska 31-Game Conference Winning Streak Comes to an End...**The Huskers' 31-game conference winning streak and five-year streak of winning at least part of the league crown came to an end at the first-ever Big 12 Playoff. Nebraska is 29-1 over the last four seasons in conference play. In the last five years, NU is 35-2 in conference action, losing only to Iowa State on Nov. 14, 1992 and Texas on Dec. 7, 1996. NU has won 16 straight league games at home. NU hasn't lost a home league game since a 27-12 loss to Colorado on Nov. 3, 1990. In fact, since 1988, NU is 25-1 at home vs. conference foes and is 68-11 under Osborne since his first year in 1973. Of Osborne's 11 home conference losses, six have come at the hands of OU, three to Mizzou, one to Iowa State and Colorado.

◆ **In the Consecutive Sellout Streak...**Nebraska's Memorial Stadium boasts an NCAA-record 214 consecutive sellouts, dating back to Hall of Fame Coach Bob Devaney's first year as coach in 1962 (vs. Missouri on Nov. 3). NU is 189-25 during the 214 sellouts (50-9 under Devaney and 139-16 under Osborne). The mark includes a 30-18 record against ranked teams. NU is 4-0 in the four milestone sellouts during that period (50th, 100th, 150th and 200th sellouts), including a 24-7 win over No. 2 Colorado on Oct. 29, 1994, for the 200th sellout.

◆ **Against AP Ranked Teams...**Nebraska is 75-84-3 (.472, 162 games) all time vs. ranked opponents (56-37-1, .601, 94 games, under Osborne). This season, NU lost to No. 17 ASU, defeated No. 16 Kansas State 39-3, and defeated No. 5 Colorado, 17-12. At home against ranked opponents under Osborne, NU is 25-12 (.676, 37 games). Over the last four seasons, the Huskers have gone 15-2 against ranked foes, losing only to No. 1-ranked Florida State in the 1994 Orange Bowl and to ASU in Tempe in 1996.

◆ **Huskers vs. the Unranked...**The Huskers' have lost just 12 times to an unranked opponent in 195 tries under Coach Tom Osborne. Nebraska lost to Texas, who was not ranked in the top 25 officially, but had enough votes to rank 27th. Before the 37-27 loss to Texas, NU had not lost to an unranked opponent since Iowa State upset the Huskers 19-10 in 1992. In fact, in the last 24 years, Osborne's teams have gone 185-12-2 (.935, 199 games) against unranked opponents and suffered only one loss to a team that finished the season below .500 (Iowa State, 1992).

◆ **Adding up the Points...**The Husker offense has averaged 35 or more points for 12 straight years. The Huskers scored at least 35 in each game last year and in eight of 12 games this season. Nebraska has averaged at least 30 points per season since averaging 25.7 in 1977. In 1995, Nebraska led the nation in scoring, breaking its own Big Eight and school records with a 52.4 average. This season, NU ranked fourth, averaging 42.7 points per game. Nebraska has won 198 consecutive games when scoring 35 or more points, and had scored 35 or more points in 13 straight games, before the ASU loss earlier this season. NU is 262-1 all time when scoring 35 or more points, losing only to Oklahoma 49-35 in 1950. Before the ASU shutout, NU had scored in 50 straight games since a 22-0 loss to Miami in the 1992 Orange Bowl.

◆ **It's a Rush...**NU is 152-5-0 under Coach Osborne when rushing for more than 300 yards in a game (since 1973) and has won 74 straight when rushing for 300-plus yards since a loss to Michigan in the 1986 Sunkist Fiesta Bowl, when the team rushed for 304 yards. Nebraska is 78-0 in the Osborne-era when rushing for 400 or more yards. NU's 524 yards vs. Florida in the Fiesta Bowl last year set an NCAA bowl record for rushing yards. In 1995, Nebraska won its 12th NCAA rushing title, averaging 399.8 yards per game (10th under Osborne, fourth in last five years). NU has had 296, 100-yard rushing performances (229 under Coach Osborne), including 33 games in which there were two or more 100-yard rushers (most recently vs. Baylor, 1996). Three Huskers rushed for more than 100 yards in a game once, vs. ASU, 1988. NU ranks fourth in rushing in 1996, averaging 291.9 ypg.

◆ **Walk-ons Crucial...**Looking at the preseason three-deep, of the 71 players listed, 25 were walk-ons (35 percent) when they came to NU, including six starters, split end **Brendan Holbein**, fullback **Brian Schuster**, wingback **Jon Vedral**, offensive tackle **Adam Treu**, punter **Jesse Kosch** and All-America rush end **Jared Tomich**. Punt returner and No. 2 cornerback **Mike Fullman** is also a former walk-on. On the walk-on program, Osborne said, "We've always had good walk-ons every year, which has enabled us to have an injury or two without getting completely depleted at a position. Of our 30 to 35 walk-on freshmen this year, we probably have six or seven guys who a lot of schools would really like to have."

◆ **Nebraska Leads Big 12 in Graduation Rates...**For the third consecutive year, Nebraska earned the CFA Honorable-Mention Citation for its graduation rate (73 percent among those who completed their eligibility at NU in 1995). Nebraska posted the highest graduation rate among Big 12 members, as accumulated by the NCAA (which is different from the CFA rate in that it counts transfers and early draftees who may not have completed their eligibility at one institution). Nebraska's NCAA grad rate of 74 percent is 20 percent higher than the national average and is five percent better than No. 2 Texas Tech (69 percent). Nebraska's graduation rate for African Americans of 64 percent also leads the Big 12 and is also 20 percent better than the national average. In 1996, Nebraska has two players who had already earned their degrees before the start of the season--seniors **Jon Hesse** and **Eric Stokes**. Hesse, a Lincoln native graduated in just seven semesters (3 1/2 years), earning his degree in psychology in December, 1995. Stokes earned a degree in sociology this summer. Seven other Huskers just picked up their diplomas the day before the team left for Miami. They are **Chad Eicher**, **Brendan Holbein**, **Mike Minter**, **Scott Saltsman**, **Jared Tomich**, **Adam Treu**, and **Jon Vedral** giving Nebraska a total of nine student-athletes who will play in the Orange Bowl with degree in hand.



Chad Eicher



Jon Hesse



Brendan Holbein



Mike Minter

1997 Nebraska Football Schedule:

Aug. 30 Akron
 Sept. 13 Central Florida
 Sept. 20 at Washington
 Oct. 4 Kansas State #
 Oct. 11 at Baylor #
 Oct. 18 Texas Tech # (Homecoming)
 Oct. 25 at Kansas #
 Nov. 1 Oklahoma #
 Nov. 8 at Missouri #
 Nov. 15 Iowa State #
 Nov. 27 or 28...at Colorado # (# Big 12 Game)

Did You Know?

Only three schools can boast having two receivers in the NFL to top the 500 reception mark and Nebraska is one of them, joining Ohio State and Florida. In each case below, one of each pair was a running back.

Nebraska (Irving Fryar and Roger Craig)
Florida (John L. Williams and Wes Chandler)
Ohio State (Keith Byars and Cris Carter)

Injuries which have kept Husker three-deep players out of 1996 game action:

MSU--None
 ASU--None
 CSU--Joel Makovicka, FB (hamstring)
 KSU--Damon Benning (groin pull);
 Ryan Terwilliger (hip/lower back)
 BU--Ahman Green, IB (turf toe, left foot)
 Joel Makovicka, FB (hamstring)
 TTU--Billy Legate, FB (hamstring)
 KU--Brian Schuster, FB (ACL strain)
 OU--Mike Fullman, CB (ankle)
 MU--Mike Fullman, CB (ankle)
 Shevin Wiggins, WB (thigh)
 ISU--Chad Kelsay, RE (knee)
 CU--None
 Texas--Ahman Green, IB (stress fracture in left foot)

Did You Know?

Nebraska Assistant Head Coach and running backs coach Frank Solich holds the Orange Bowl record for most return yards in a game, with 130 in 1966.

NCAA Div. I-A Consecutive Sellouts

1. Nebraska #214
 2. Notre Dame 126
 3. Tennessee 51
 4. Penn State 35

Note: # denotes a continuing NCAA record

Did You Know?

The Husker defense has ranked among the nation's top 10 in all four statistical categories four times, of those three were under Defensive Coordinator Charlie McBride including 1996. The Blackshirts ranked in all categories the top 13 in each of the past three years.



Scott Saltzman



Eric Stokes



Jared Tomich



Adam Treu



Jon Vedral

◆ **Nebraska Cornhuskers on Opening Day Rosters...**The Huskers had 24 players listed on National Football League opening-day rosters, they follow: **Mike Croel**, Baltimore; **David White**, Buffalo; **Trev Alberts**, Indianapolis; **Troy Dumas**, Kansas City; **Will Shields**, Kansas City; **Neil Smith**, Kansas City; **Brian Washington**, Kansas City; **Calvin Jones**, Oakland; **Donta Jones**, Pittsburgh; **Brenden Stai**, Pittsburgh; **John Parrella**, San Diego; **Aaron Graham**, Arizona; **Broderick Thomas**, Dallas; **Cory Schlesinger**, Detroit; **Tyrone Williams**, Green Bay; **Derek Brown**, New Orleans; **Tyrone Hughes**, New Orleans; **Doug Colman**, New York Giants; **Rob Zatechka**, New York Giants; **Irving Fryar**, Philadelphia; **Zach Wiegert**, St. Louis; **Toby Wright**, St. Louis; **Lawrence Phillips**, St. Louis; **Tyrone Legette**, Tampa Bay.

Three former Husker assistant coaches hold positions with NFL teams, including **Kevin Steele**, linebackers, Carolina; **Gene Huey**, running backs, Indianapolis; and **Monte Kiffin**, defensive coordinator, Tampa Bay.

Four other Huskers are playing in the CFL, including **Tommie Frazier**, Montreal; **Steve Taylor**, Ottawa; **Kenny Wilhite**, Ottawa; and **Kenny Walker**, Winnipeg.

A Look at the Numbers

◆ **Nebraska's 1996 Scoring Drives...**It takes the Huskers an average of 2:29 to score this season and an average of 6.5 plays. Nebraska has scored 33 times on drives of five or less and has had three, one-play drives (one vs. KU, two vs. Missouri). Nebraska's longest drives of the season were 17 plays for 80 yards against both K-State (season-long 6:47) and Iowa State.

Game	Scoring Time			Plays			
	Drives	Total	Avg.	Total	Avg.	Under 5	1-Play
vs. MSU	6	11:36	1:56	38	6.3	3	0
vs. ASU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. CSU	9	18:43	2:05	55	6.2	5	0
vs. KSU	8	21:21	2:40	46	5.8	4	0
vs. BU	7	18:22	2:37	49	7.0	4	0
vs. TTU	3	07:47	2:35	22	7.3	1	0
vs. KU	9	18:42	2:05	51	5.7	4	1
vs. OU	9	14:46	1:39	43	4.8	5	0
vs. MU	6	5:47	0:58	15	2.5	6	2
vs. ISU	7	25:56	3:42	70	10.0	1	0
vs. CU	2	8:04	4:02	18	9.0	0	0
vs. Tex.	5	25:38	5:08	58	11.6	0	0
NU Tot.	71	2:56:42	2:29	465	6.5	33	3
Opp.	27	1:08:37	2:32	189	7.0	10	2

◆ **The Long Plays...**The Nebraska Cornhuskers have had a total of 45 plays of 25 yards or more on the season compared to their opponents' 32. Nebraska has a balanced attack, with 13 long plays by rush, 15 by pass and 17 by return. Nebraska opponents only had five rushes of 25 yards or more, none until the eighth game of the season against Oklahoma.

Long Season Plays (25 or more yards)

Husker Long Plays

Rush: 13 Pass: 15 Returns: 17 Total: 45

Opponent Long Plays

Rush: 5 Pass: 18 Return: 9 Total: 32

◆ **Average Field Position...**Nebraska had a 14.7 advantage on average field position (NU-own 38.7 to opp.-own 24.0) and only began 17 drives inside its 20, compared to 39 by its opponents.

◆ **Nebraska in the Red Zone...**The Nebraska Blackshirts have only allowed opponents into their red zone a total of 16 times in 12 games this season, including just nine in the last nine games. Opponents have scored 13 times. Nebraska is 56-68 in the red zone (.824).

In the Red Zone...

Game	Scores Inside 20				No Score Inside 20			Downs
	Total	TDs	FGs	Pct.	Missed FGs	TOs		
Time								
vs. MSU	4-5	2	2	.800	0	1	0	0
vs. ASU	0-1	0	0	.000	0	1	0	0
vs. CSU	8-9	7	1	.888	0	0	1	0
vs. KSU	4-5	2	2	.800	1	0	0	0
vs. BU	6-8	6	0	.857	1	0	0	1
vs. TT	3-4	2	1	.750	0	1	0	0
vs. KU	9-11	9	0	.818	0	0	2	0
vs. OU	6-6	5	1	1.00	1	0	0	0
vs. MU	5-8	5	0	.625	2	0	1	0
vs. ISU	6-6	6	0	1.00	0	0	0	0
vs. CU	2-2	1	1	1.00	0	0	0	0
vs. Tex.	3-3	2	1	1.00	1	0	0	0
NU Tot.	56-68	47*	9	.824	6	3	4	1
Opp.	13-16	7*	6	.813	2	1	0	0

*In the red zone, Nebraska has scored 38 of its 47 TDs by rush, nine by pass...NU opponents in the red zone, have scored five TDs by rush, two by pass.

◆ Quarterback Drive Efficiency

QB	Drives*	Scores	TDs	FG-FGA	Eff.	Red Zone
Frost	137	59	47	12-19	.431	45-52
Turman	18	10	10	0-0	.555	8-9
Perino	7	2	2	0-0	.286	0-3

*Total Drives Begun as Starting QB

◆ **Nebraska Points Off Turnovers...**Nebraska has scored 160 points off opponent miscues this season (not counting a safety on a blocked punt, and a touchdown on a blocked punt). The Huskers have turned 24 of 33 opponent turnovers into scores (22 touchdowns) scoring on 73 percent of its opportunities, while opponents have only converted 6-22 turnovers, three into TDs. Nebraska has had just one season under Tom Osborne in which the Huskers were minus in turnover margin (1984, minus five). NU was even in TO margin in 1987, and had a plus margin in the other 22 seasons. This year NU is plus 11 in turnover margin and in 24 seasons under Osborne, NU has a cumulative TO margin of plus-161.

Nebraska Points Off Turnovers

Game	TO's		Scores		Pts.
	Gained	TDs	FG-FGA	Pct.	
vs. MSU	4	4	0-0	1.00	28
vs. ASU	1	0	0-0	.000	0
vs. CSU	3	2	0-0	.667	14
vs. KSU	3	1	0-1	.333	7
vs. BU	0	0	0-0	.000	0
vs. TTU	3	2	0-0	.667	14
vs. KU	3	3	0-0	1.000	21
vs. OU	5	4	1-1	1.000	31
vs. MU	4	3	0-0	.750	21
vs. ISU	3	1	0-0	.333	7
vs. CU	2	1	0-0	.500	7
vs. Tex.	2	1	1-1	1.00	10
NU Tot.	33	22	2-3	.727	160
Opp.	22	3	3-4	.272	30

*NU also scored a safety and a TD on a blocked punt vs. Mizzou--not included above.

◆ O-Line Puts up the Pancakes

Game	Team	Indiv. 'Cakes	Sacks Allowed	O-Line Penalties	Perfect Plays
vs. MSU	27	5 (70)	1	1	62 %
vs. ASU	23	8 (70)	3	2	57 %
vs. CSU	67	11 (75)	0	0	67 %
vs. KSU	67	15 (70)	1	0	59 %
vs. BU	60	15 (64)	0	2	59 %
vs. TTU	68	16 (67)	1	0	68 %
vs. KU	79	14 (75)	0	0	65 %
vs. OU	60	12 (70)	1	0	63 %
vs. MU	49	12 (70)	0	0	65 %
vs. ISU	68	15 (67)	0	0	72.4%
vs. CU	36	10 (64)	1*	3	60 %
vs. Tex.	63	17 (67)	0	0	64 %
NU Tot.	607	16 (67)	8*	8	---

*team has allowed 10 sacks on season, three vs. Colorado, but O-Line was only responsible for one.

◆ Husker Pancake Leaders...

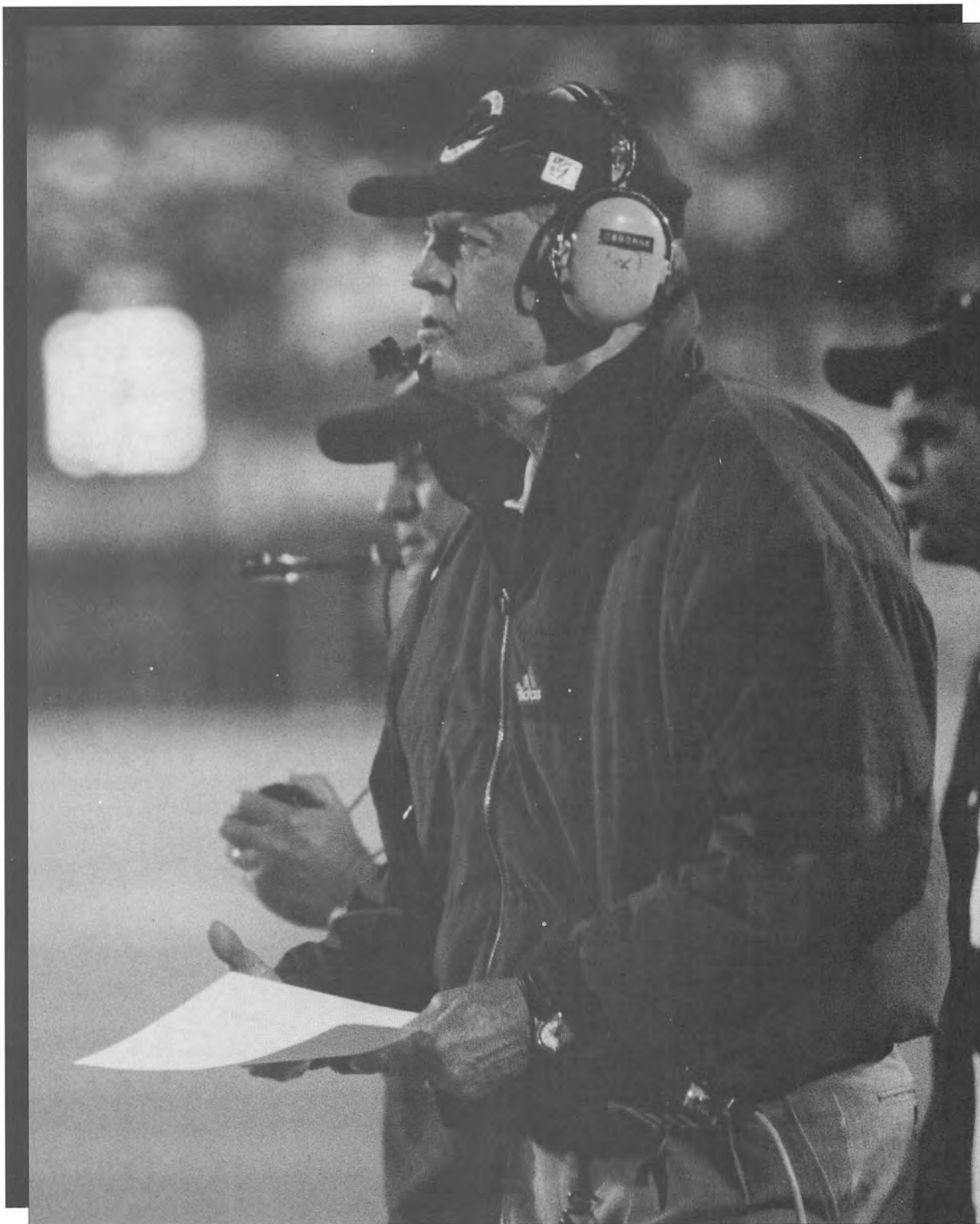
	MSU	ASU	CSU	KSU	BU	TTU	KU	OU	MU	ISU	CU	UT
Anderson	5	8	6	15	4	9	10	12	7	6	5	4
Dishman	4	6	11	4	12	13	14	10	8	10	5	12
Taylor	3	1	7	13	10	16	8	11	8	15	4	17
Zatechka	4	4	8	6	15	5	4	8	6	6	10	14
Treu	4	4	6	13	5	9	5	10	5	9	6	11
Hoskinson	3	0	5	3	0	4	7	3	4	9	3	2
Heskeu	2	0	5	2	2	6	8	3	3	7	3	3
Pollack	1	0	6	1	4	5	6	0	0	2	0	0
Mikos	1	0	3	2	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
Vrzal	0	0	3	3	1	1	3	1	1	3	0	0

Others (Season Totals):

Jeff Clausen 5 (4 games, 1.3 average); Adam Julch 6 (6 games, 1.0 average); James Sherman 8 (7 games, 1.1 average); Mike Van Cleave 8 (10 games, 0.8 average); Brandt Wade 5 (5 games, 5.0 average).



The Nebraska Blackshirts have scored 58 points themselves off turnovers and have triggered 169 points off opponent miscues. In reality, the NU defense has helped score more points (169) than the opponent's offense has scored all year (153).



Nebraska Coach Tom Osborne has led Nebraska to 24-straight bowl appearances, 12 conference titles and back-to-back national championships in 1994-95.

Husker Staff

The 1996 Huskers--Celebrating 28 Consecutive Nine-Win Seasons and an unprecedented 46-3 Four-Year Record

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Tom Osborne Head Coach

The phrase inscribed on Memorial Stadium's northwest corner reads, "Courage; Generosity; Fairness; Honor; In these are the true awards of manly sports." And, those words portray Husker Coach Tom Osborne, who in 24 seasons on the Nebraska sideline has built a total program based on more than just winning.

The veteran Husker mentor knows how to win, that's for sure, but it isn't his only source of motivation. The nation's winningest active coach, Osborne sports a glossy 241-49-3 record, for an .828 winning percentage, a mark that ranks sixth all time. Osborne cemented his place among the sport's coaching legends as he has added back-to-back national championships to his unmatched coaching resume. He guided the Huskers to a perfect 12-0 record in 1995, capped by a dominating, 62-24 Fiesta Bowl victory over Florida. The victory made Nebraska the first repeat national champions since Alabama accomplished the feat in 1978-79.

Despite heavy losses from last year's unstoppable offense, Nebraska made a run at an unprecedented third straight title and finished the regular season with a 10-2 record. The Huskers captured the North Division title in the Big 12 and extended its conference winning streak to 31 games before Texas defeated Nebraska in the Big 12 title game. Over the past four years, Osborne's teams have posted a 46-3 record, the most wins in a four-year span in Division I college football history.

Osborne led Nebraska to historical accomplishments from 1993-95. In addition to the back-to-back national titles, Nebraska has posted three consecutive unbeaten regular seasons and played in three straight national championship games. Under Osborne, NU became just the second school and the first since Oklahoma in 1955-56 to post back-to-back perfect national championship seasons.

Osborne has led the Huskers to 12 conference crowns, including the last five in the Big Eight Conference and has also posted four undefeated regular seasons as the Huskers head man. Nebraska was the only school in the former league to win four straight outright conference titles, doing so twice. The Huskers also posted four consecutive Big Eight crowns from 1963-66.

Although NU's loss at Arizona State ended the Huskers' string of 26 consecutive wins overall and 37 straight regular season wins, several other unmatched streaks remain intact. Nebraska went 6-0 in Memorial Stadium in 1996, extending its nation-leading streak to 36 straight home wins and all six games were sellouts, giving NU 214 straight packed houses.

But beyond the remarkable on the field success story his Husker teams have written in America's heartland, Osborne is committed to making a difference in the lives of his players, staff and the community in which he lives. In today's ever-changing and fast-paced intercollegiate athletic world, he is the pillar of stability and a visible role model for all.

Consider if you will, that 29 men have served as head football coaches at the former Big Eight institutions during his tenure and that only two of the nation's active Division I-A coaches have been on the job at the same institution longer than the down-to-earth Osborne. The dean of Big 12 football coaches, Osborne is completing his 24th year as the Huskers' head coach and his 35th overall in Lincoln. That stability is a trademark of the Osborne-built Nebraska program.

A Hastings, Neb., native, Osborne may well be the state's best ambassador. He is an advocate of NCAA reform on behalf of all student-athletes; an active member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and



supports numerous area youth education programs. Osborne leads by example and teaches that life is more than just a 60-minute football game on 12 autumn afternoons and evenings.

No less than 74 percent of Osborne's players at Nebraska have left with their degrees in hand. Not surprisingly, his program leads the nation in virtually every academic honor available to student-athletes and NU also leads the Big 12 in football graduation rates. In short, he's built a complete program; one that combines academic excellence with outstanding play on the field.

In the community, Coach Osborne and his wife, Nancy, have developed a special program for area youths. The Husker Teammates program matches Nebraska football players with local junior high school students in a big-brother relationship.

Financing for the Husker Teammates program comes from The Osborne Endowment for Youth. That fund, underwritten by the Coach and his wife and established four years ago, helps prevent junior high and middle school youths from dropping out of school and encourages them to continue their education beyond high school. At a banquet in February, 1994, honoring Osborne for his 200th career victory, more than \$250,000 was raised for the Endowment. This is a tribute not only to Osborne's on the field achievements, but his desire to make the community a better place to live and indicates the respect he enjoys from his peers.

And, he encourages his players to give back to the community, evidenced by the more than 50,000 students his players reach on an annual basis through community outreach activities.

For his efforts on behalf of student-athletes and his work in the community, Osborne was selected as one of eight 1994 Giant Steps Award winners from around the nation by the Northeastern University Center for the Study of Sport in Society. The awards are given annually on National Student-Athlete Day to individuals and/or organizations who exemplify the ideals and provide the support necessary for student-athletes to achieve academic and athletic excellence. Osborne also received the 1995 National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame Distinguished American Award.

Osborne held Big Eight records for victories (231) and games coached (281) and also had the longest head coaching tenure in conference history. Osborne-led Husker squads have captured 12 conference crowns and averaged 10 victories per year. Of NU's 12 league titles in Osborne's tenure as head coach, eight have been outright, including 1995. The Huskers also captured league championships in 1975, 1978, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1988, 1991, 1992, 1993 and 1994.

The Orange Bowl will mark the first time in four seasons Nebraska will not be playing for the national championship in a bowl game. However, it is Nebraska's NCAA record 35th straight bowl game and its 16th consecutive "New Year's Day Bowl." It also marks the 12th straight season Nebraska faces an opponent ranked in the top 10 as Virginia Tech enters ranked 10th nationally.

Nebraska's 62-24 demolition of Florida in the 1996 Tostitos Fiesta



Osborne Named Big 12 Coach-of-the-Year

Bowl was the third consecutive season Nebraska played for the national title. The Huskers dropped a heartbreaking 18-16 decision to Florida State in the 1994 Fed Ex Orange Bowl and defeated Miami, Fla., 24-17 in the 1995 Orange Bowl. In all, Nebraska has played in eight national title games, and Osborne has been on the Husker sideline for all of them. Four times Osborne has led NU into its bowl game with a No. 1 ranking in at least one wire service poll, as NU was No. 1 heading into the 1996 Fiesta Bowl as well as the 1984, 1994 and 1995 Orange Bowl games.

Despite important losses from last season, Nebraska remained among the nation's elite in 1996. Nebraska entered the season ranked first and stayed there until losing to Arizona State. The Huskers climbed back into national title contention and as high as third before losing to Texas in the conference title game. The strength of the 1996 squad was on the defensive side of the football as the Blackshirts rank in the top seven in all four major statistical categories. Offensively, NU again had a high-powered rushing attack as NU was fourth in the nation on the ground and second in scoring. For his efforts, Osborne earned AP Big 12 Coach-of-the-Year honors.

Last season, Nebraska set a school and Big Eight scoring record, averaging 52.4 points per game, while leading the nation in rushing for the 10th time since 1980. The Huskers posted their third-straight unbeaten regular season (11-0-0) and a fifth-straight Big Eight title. It marked the 13th time in NU's 105-year history it had finished regular-season play unbeaten and untied.

In 1994 Nebraska overcame well-documented injuries to give Osborne his first national title and the school's first since 1971. Osborne's work did not go unnoticed in 1994 as he received numerous coaching honors, including recognition by his peers of the American Football Coaches Association as its Division I-A Coach-of-the-Year.

The 1993 season was a memorable one for Osborne, too, as he became the first coach to reach the 200-win plateau in just 21 seasons, when the Huskers defeated Oklahoma State, 27-13, in Stillwater, Okla., Oct. 7, 1993. Only the 12th coach in NCAA Division I-A history to reach the 200-win milestone and the first to do so exclusively at one school, his 231 victories rank eighth all-time, third among active Division I-A coaches. Osborne reached the 200-win plateau in just 249 games with a remarkable nine victories and a bowl appearance every season.

Bowling, though, is far from a new-wave experience for the Huskers or Osborne, as all 24 of Dr. Tom's teams have made bowl treks and 33 of the 35 Nebraska teams he's been associated with have ended their season in a bowl game. Those 24 bowl appearances rank Osborne third all-time behind Alabama's Paul "Bear" Bryant (29) and Penn State's Joe Paterno (27), and the last 16 have come in "New Year's Day Bowls," another NCAA record. All 24 of NU's bowl appearances under Osborne have been against ranked (AP) teams. NU's meeting with 10th-ranked Virginia Tech ends a streak of 10 straight bowl games against top five teams.

Not one to shy away from a challenge, Osborne's Huskers have accepted the maximum number of preseason invites allowed by NCAA rules, playing in the Kickoff Classic three times, and taking home the championship trophy each time. NU opened its 1994 season with a 31-0 victory over then-No. 24 West Virginia, after handing Penn State a 44-6 loss in the 1983 inaugural game and posting a 23-14 decision over Texas A&M in 1988.

Under Osborne's direction, Nebraska's NCAA-record string of consecutive winning seasons has grown to 35, including a record 28 straight nine-win campaigns. The Orange bowl bid is the Huskers' 28th-straight, also an NCAA record.

A seven-time Big Eight Coach-of-the-Year pick (1975, 1976, 1980, 1988, 1992, 1993 and 1994), Osborne earned the AP's first Big 12 honor in 1996. Osborne has been named the American Football Coaches Association District Coach-of-the-Year seven times—1978, 1979, 1980, 1983, 1987, 1988 and 1994. He was selected as the 1978 Bobby Dodd National Coach-of-the-Year by the Atlanta Quarterback Club and Delta Airlines for his efforts toward the advancement of the higher and more notable aspects of college coaching. Osborne also earned National Coach-of-the-Year honors from the Football News in 1983.

While stability has played a key role in NU's grid fortunes over the past 24 seasons, there is an unmasked consistency about which Osborne and the Huskers go about their business. And, nowhere is that consistency

more evident than the national polls, where Nebraska has been a fixture every season under Osborne. Nebraska has been ranked in every weekly AP poll since 1981, giving it a poll record 256 consecutive weeks in the rankings. Since Osborne took over in 1973, NU has been ranked in 378 of 381 AP polls, missing one week in 1977 and two in 1981. Since 1969, the Huskers have appeared in 430 of a possible 433 polls. Nebraska squads have finished among the AP Top 20 in 22 of 23 seasons under Osborne.

A fixture in the polls every season, the Huskers were ranked No. 1 in five polls in 1996, and has spent time atop one of the two major polls in each of the last four seasons. In fact, a study of the final AP polls from 1973 through the 1995 season finds that Nebraska is the nation's most successful program based on rankings. Using a point system of 20 for first, 19 for second, etc., the Huskers scored 296 points to outdistance second-place Michigan's 257 points and third-place Alabama's 249 points.

Through 24 seasons, Osborne's Huskers have posted an impressive 56-37-1 (.601) record against ranked AP teams, easily the best record for a Nebraska mentor. In 1996, NU was 2-1 against ranked opponents losing to then-No. 17 and current No. 2 Arizona State, 19-0, and defeated No. 17 Kansas State 39-3 and No. 5 Colorado 17-12. Osborne is also the only Husker coach to ever beat a No. 1-ranked team—the 17-14 win over Oklahoma in 1978. His Hall of Fame predecessor, Bob Devaney, was 12-12-2 against ranked teams during his Nebraska career, while all previous NU coaches were a combined 7-35-0.

On and off the field, Osborne's players have consistently been highly honored. Eight of his proteges have received the NCAA's highest honor for student-athletes—selection as one of Today's Top Six/Eight, including 1995 recipient Aaron Graham, offensive tackle Rob Zatechka in 1994 and 1993 Butkus Award winner Trev Alberts. That's the most for any individual sports program in the country and accounts for more than half of NU's nation-leading 12 total selections. Husker gridders who received the honor include guard Randy Schleusener (1981) and Zatechka (1995), centers Dave Rimington (1983), Mark Traynowicz (1985), Jake Young (1990) and Graham (1996), and linebackers Pat Tyrance (1991) and Alberts (1994).

In 1996, Grant Wistrom earned first-team GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-America honors to boost the Huskers' total to 35 student-athletes. That figure includes nine two-time picks for a total of 44 first-team academic All-America certificates under Osborne and a nation-leading 50 in school history.

Nebraska also has had 25 NCAA postgraduate scholarship winners and 15 National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame Scholar-Athlete

The Osborne Record

Year	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.	Pts.	Opp.	Bowl
1973	9	2	1	.792	306	163	Cotton
1974	9	3	0	.750	373	132	Sugar
1975*	10	2	0	.833	367	137	Fiesta
1976	9	3	1	.731	416	181	Bluebonnet
1977	9	3	0	.750	315	200	Liberty
1978*	9	3	0	.750	444	216	Orange
1979	10	2	0	.833	380	131	Cotton
1980	10	2	0	.833	470	110	Sun
1981**	9	3	0	.750	364	125	Orange
1982**	12	1	0	.923	514	167	Orange
1983**	12	1	0	.923	654	217	Orange
1984*	10	2	0	.833	387	115	Sugar
1985	9	3	0	.750	421	163	Fiesta
1986	10	2	0	.833	446	165	Sugar
1987	10	2	0	.833	451	164	Fiesta
1988**	11	2	0	.846	477	205	Orange
1989	10	2	0	.833	509	215	Fiesta
1990	9	3	0	.750	434	192	Citrus
1991*	9	1	1	.864	454	230	Orange
1992**	9	3	0	.750	441	199	Orange
1993**	11	1	0	.917	437	194	Orange
1994**	13	0	0	1.000	435	145	Orange
1995**	12	0	0	1.000	576	150	Fiesta
1996**	10	2	0	.833	512	153	Orange
Totals	241	49	3	.828	10,669	4,110	24 consecutive
(Bowls)	10	13	0	.435	495	511)	

*Big Eight co-champions. **Big Eight champions.

recipients, including Zatechka in 1994. In 1988, Mark Blazek was named the CBS/Toyota Leader-of-the-Year, while in 1994, Zatechka was named the Honda Scholar-Athlete and NU's first GTE Student/Athlete-of-the-Year.

The honors, though, don't end in the classroom, as Husker players have been highly decorated for their on-field performances, too. This season, Jared Tomich was a finalist for the Lombardi Award while fellow rush end Grant Wistrom was a defensive player-of-the-year finalist. In 1995, Tommie Frazier won the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award and was Nebraska's first Heisman finalist since 1983. The previous year, Zach Wiegert became the fifth Outland Trophy winner in Tom's head coaching career and the seventh in school history. In 1993, Alberts became the first player in Nebraska history to earn the Butkus Award, given annually to the nation's top collegiate linebacker.

The Huskers made history under Osborne by producing three consecutive Outland Trophy winners (Rimington in 1981 and 1982 and Dean Steinkuhler in 1983) and two consecutive Lombardi Award winners (Rimington in 1982 and Steinkuhler in 1983), while also winning the 1983 Heisman Trophy (Mike Rozier).

During Osborne's career, 46 players have earned All-America honors, including six two-time All-Americans for a total of 52 selections. This season Tomich and Wistrom, NU's bookends on defense as well as center Aaron Taylor have earned first-team All-America honors. NU has had 42 consensus picks all-time, most recently quarterback Tommie Frazier in 1995.

Osborne was the first recipient of the Distinguished Nebraskaland Award from the Nebraskaland Foundation in 1982, and he was named the 1983 national coach-of-the-year by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He's also an author, having published two books entitled "More Than Winning" in 1985 and "On Solid Ground" in 1996.

An outstanding high school athlete at Hastings High School in the mid-1950s, Osborne was named Nebraska Prep Athlete-of-the-Year, then passed up major-college scholarship offers to attend the school from which his father and grandfather graduated before him, hometown Hastings College. He became a star quarterback and basketball player for Coach Tom McLaughlin, and in 1959 was named State College Athlete-of-the-Year, becoming the first athlete in Nebraska history to win both the high school and college honors.

After receiving his bachelor's degree from Hastings College in 1959, Osborne played three seasons in the National Football League, two with the Washington Redskins and one with the San Francisco 49ers, where his roommate was Jack Kemp, the former Congressman, presidential candidate and Bush administration Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

In 1962, he contacted the newly-hired Devaney, and obtained a graduate assistant's position on the Husker staff. He continued in that capacity until he received his master's degree in 1963, then maintained a triple role of student, teacher and part-time coach at the University. He earned a doctorate in educational psychology in 1965, then elected to pursue coaching as a career in 1967, becoming the Huskers' full-time receivers coach—a decision NU fans have applauded since.

Over the next five years, Osborne was in charge of the Husker passing game, and in his last four seasons as an assistant coach, developed a wingback by the name of Johnny Rodgers, who would become Nebraska's first Heisman Trophy winner in 1972.

When Devaney announced after the 1972 Orange Bowl that he would retire from coaching at the end of the 1972 season, he elevated Osborne to assistant head coach and director of recruiting for his final campaign, and handpicked the then-34-year-old as his successor.

Osborne took over a program which regained national prominence under Devaney, built upon it and established his own winning tradition. Osborne and Devaney are one of just three coaching duos to post back-to-back 100-win careers at the same institution (following Penn State's Rip Engle and Joe Paterno and Georgia Tech's John Heisman, Bill Alexander and Bobby Dodd), but the first pair to do it in an unbelievable 21 years. Since 1962, NU owns a 342-69-5 record for an incredible .828 winning percentage (35 years, 416 games).

Osborne is married to the former Nancy Tederman. They are the parents of a son, Mike, and two daughters, Ann and Suzi. Tom and Nancy have one grandson, William Osborne and two granddaughters, Catey Osborne and Haley Wilke. Mike followed in his father's footsteps by playing quarterback at Hastings College, and graduated in May 1987.

Osborne Profile

Years at Nebraska: Completing 35th season overall, 24th as head coach, 18th as assistant athletic director. Nebraska's record with Osborne as head coach is 241-49-3 (.828), the Huskers' record in his 35 years on the staff is 342-69-5 (.828). Osborne served on Coach Bob Devaney's staff from 1962 to 1963 as a graduate assistant, 1964 to 1966 as a part-time coach and teacher, then became full-time receivers coach in 1967. He was named assistant head coach in 1972 when Devaney handpicked him as his successor, and replaced Devaney in 1973.

Previous Coaching Experience: None, prior to joining Nebraska staff in 1962.

Playing Career: *High school*—three years at Hastings, Neb., High School, where he was an outstanding athlete in several sports and was named Nebraska High School Athlete-of-the-Year. *College*—four years as star quarterback for Hastings (Neb.) College; was twice named State College Athlete-of-the-Year, becoming first person to win both prep and college awards. *Professional*—three years in NFL, two with Washington Redskins, one with San Francisco 49ers as a flanker.

Education: Hastings, Neb., High School, 1955; B.A. in history from Hastings (Neb.) College in 1959; M.A. in educational psychology from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in 1963; Ph.D. in educational psychology from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in 1965.

Military Service: U.S. Army, and sergeant in the Army National Guard.

Born: Feb. 23, 1937.

Family: Married to the former Nancy Tederman and is the father of three children, son Mike and his wife Emily, grandson William and granddaughter Catherine; daughter Ann Wilke and her husband Bob and granddaughter Haley; daughter Suzi and her husband Kevin Dobbs.

Milestone Victories:

No. 1--Nebraska 40, UCLA 13, Sept. 8, 1973

No. 50--Nebraska 23, Iowa State 0, Oct. 7, 1978

No. 100--Nebraska 42, UCLA 10, Sept. 24, 1983

No. 102*--Nebraska 14, Oklahoma State 10, Oct. 8, 1983

No. 150--Nebraska 47, Arizona State 16, Sept. 24, 1988

No. 200--Nebraska 27, Oklahoma State 13, Oct. 7, 1993

**Osborne passed Bob Devaney as the school's all-time winningest head coach. He and Devaney are the only coaches to win over 100 games at NU.*

"Oz" Notes: Winningest active coach in NCAA Division I-A (.828); winningest coach in school (241) history and has coached more than double the games of any other coach in NU history (293). He held Big Eight Conference records for most wins (231); and games coached (281) and had the longest tenure for a head coach in Big Eight history. He is one of seven active Division I-A coaches with 200 victories.



The Nebraska Coaching Staff

Frank Solich Assistant Head Coach Running Backs

A former standout fullback on Coach Bob Devaney's Nebraska teams in the mid-1960s, Frank Solich is completing his 18th season on the Husker coaching staff; his 14th as running backs coach and his sixth as assistant head coach. A 1992 inductee into the Nebraska Football Hall of Fame, Solich was tabbed *Athlon Magazine's* Assistant Coach-of-the-Year before the start of the 1993 season.

Solich, who recruited and coached Heisman Trophy winner Mike Rozier, has produced at least one all-conference running back in 12 of the 14 seasons he has tutored the position. The Husker running backs were slowed by injury in 1996, however were still a vital part of the NU offense. Sophomore Ahman Green gained 917 yards in an injury-plagued season, while true freshman DeAngelo Evans gained 776 yards and scored 14 touchdowns. Green was a third-team All-Big 12 choice while Evans earned honorable-mention honors. The Husker offense was fourth in the country in rushing at 291.9 yards per game.

In 1995, Green broke the school's freshman rushing record with 1,086 yards and earned first-team All-Big Eight honors while Lawrence Phillips produced the second-best single-season rushing total in NU history with 1,722 yards in 1994 and also earn first-team all-league honors. Solich-coached running backs own 16 of NU's top 25 single-game rushing performances and seven of the school's top 10 season rushing efforts.

Since Solich began directing the Husker ground attack, Nebraska has captured eight NCAA rushing titles, including four of the past six. Nebraska has not finished lower than fourth in the NCAA rushing statistics during Solich's tenure. In addition, the Huskers have won nine-straight conference rushing titles and have not finished lower than second in the league rushing race under Solich's direction.

Despite weighing less than 160 pounds, Solich was an All-Big Eight fullback and co-captain of the Huskers' 1965 team. He held the NU single-game rushing record (204 yards against Air Force in 1965) for 10 years, and also lettered in baseball. Solich still holds the Orange Bowl record for return yards in a game with 166 in 1966.

A Cleveland native, Solich prepped at Holy Name High School and received his bachelor's (1966) and master's (1972) degrees from Nebraska. He was the head coach at Holy Name High School in Omaha, Neb., from 1966-68, then moved to Lincoln Southeast High School from 1968 through 1979. After joining the Nebraska staff, he served as the head freshman coach for four seasons, posting three undefeated seasons and a 19-1-0 record, before taking over as coach of the Husker running backs in 1983. Solich is married to the former Pamela Wieck, of Beatrice, Neb., and they have two children, Cindy and Jeff, and a one-year old granddaughter, Catherine.

The Solich File:

Place of Birth: Johnstown, Pa. **Family:** Wife, Pamela; Children, Cindy and Jeff; one granddaughter, Catherine. **Education:** Nebraska, B.S., 1966, M. Ed., 1972. **Playing Experience:** 1963-65, Nebraska. **Coaching Experience:** 1966-68, Holy Name (Neb.) High School (head coach); 1968-79, Southeast (Neb.) High School (head coach); 1979-83, Nebraska (head freshman coach); 1983-1990, Nebraska (assistant coach/running backs); 1991-present, Nebraska (assistant head coach/running backs). **All-Conference Players (13):** Jarvis Redwine, IB, 1979-80; Andra Franklin, FB, 1980; Roger Craig, IB, 1981; Mike Rozier, IB, 1981-82-83; Jeff Smith, IB, 1984; Doug DuBose, IB, 1984-85; Tom Rathman, FB, 1985; Keith Jones, IB, 1986-87; Ken Clark, IB, 1988-89; Derek Brown, IB, 1991-92; Calvin Jones, IB, 1992-93; Lawrence Phillips, IB, 1994; Ahman Green, IB 1995. **Academic All-Conference Players (Four):** Jim Kotera, IB, 1980; Ken Kaelin, FB, 1986; Micah Heibel, FB, 1987; Cory Schlesinger, FB, 1994. **All-America Players (Two):** Jarvis Redwine, IB, 1980; Mike Rozier, IB, 1982-83. **Big Eight Offensive Newcomer-of-the-Year (one):** Ahman Green IB, 1995. **Pro Players (10):** Roger Craig, San Francisco 49ers, Los Angeles Raiders, Minnesota Vikings; Mike Rozier, Houston Oilers, Atlanta Falcons; Tom Rathman, San Francisco 49ers, Los Angeles Raiders; Jeff Smith, Kansas City Chiefs, Tampa Bay Buccaneers; Keith Jones, Cleveland Browns, Dallas Cowboys; Ken Clark, Indianapolis Colts; Derek Brown, New Orleans Saints; Calvin Jones, Oakland Raiders, Green Bay Packers; Cory Schlesinger, Detroit Lions; Lawrence Phillips, St. Louis Rams. **Others Signing Pro Contracts (Four):** Lance Lewis, Indianapolis Colts; Lance Gray, Minnesota Vikings; Jeff Makovicka, Houston Oilers; Clinton Childs, Kansas City Chiefs.

Charlie McBride Assistant Coach Defensive Coordinator/Line

A 1996 finalist for the Broyles Assistant Coach-of-the-Year award, Charlie McBride is in his 20th season on Coach Tom Osborne's staff, and his 15th as the Huskers' defensive coordinator.

McBride, hailed by the *Sporting News* as the nation's best collegiate defensive line coach in its 1992 preseason annual, put another dominating Blackshirt unit on the field in 1996. The Huskers led the Big 12 in three of four

defensive categories and rank in the top seven nationally in all four. The Huskers finished the season, allowing just 12.8 points and 83.8 rushing yards per contest. This year marked the second time in three seasons and just the fourth time since 1946 NU has finished in the top 10 in all four major defensive categories, and McBride has directed three of those defenses. In addition, the Huskers were just two sacks shy of establishing a new school record.

Since taking over as defensive coordinator in 1982, McBride has watched the Husker Blackshirts rank among the nation's top 15 in both total defense and scoring defense 11 times, including 1984's nation-leading per-game averages of 203.3 yards and 9.5 points. The Blackshirts, who have allowed less than 285 yards and 14 points per game during McBride's tenure, have also led the conference in total defense seven times, including 1996.

He has served as defensive line coach since coming to Nebraska in 1977, and in that time, has produced such standouts as All-American Neil Smith, now of the Kansas City Chiefs, and seven-year NFL veteran Danny Noonan and All-Big 12 conference pick Jason Peter in 1996.

An All-Big Eight end and punter at Colorado, McBride received his bachelor's degree in physical education from CU in 1962, then played one season for the AFL's Denver Broncos. Following his stint with the Broncos, he became head coach at Chicago's Fenger High School, a position he held for the 1963-64 seasons. He returned to Colorado as a graduate assistant in 1965 and 1966. McBride was an assistant coach to Frank Kush at Arizona State for three seasons (1967-69), then went on to Wisconsin, where he served as offensive line coach on Coach John Jardine's staff for six seasons (1970-75) and defensive line coach and defensive coordinator for one year (1976).

A Chicago native, McBride was a four-sport standout (football, basketball, baseball and track) at Morgan Park High School where he earned prep All-America honors in football and baseball. He's married to Deborah Anne Denniston of Barrington, Ill., and they have three sons--Mike, Jeff and David, two grandsons, Ryan and Keefe, and a granddaughter, Kelcy.

The McBride File:

Place of Birth: Chicago, Ill. **Family:** Wife, Deborah; Children, Mike, Jeff and David; Two grandsons and a granddaughter. **Education:** Colorado, B.S., 1962. **Playing Experience:** 1960-62, Colorado; 1963, Denver Broncos. **Coaching Experience:** 1964, Colorado (graduate assistant); 1965-66, Fenger (Ill.) High School (head coach); 1967-69, Arizona State (assistant coach); 1970-76, Wisconsin (assistant coach); 1977-1983, Nebraska (assistant coach/defensive line); 1982-present, Nebraska (assistant coach/defensive coordinator/defensive line). **All-Conference Players (17):** Rod Horn, DT, 1978-79; Kerry Weinmaster, MG, 1979; David Clark, DT, 1980; Jim Skow, DT, 1985; Danny Noonan, MG, 1986; Chris Spachman, DT, 1986; Tim Roher, DT, 1987; Neil Smith, DT, 1987; Lawrence Pete, MG, 1988; Willie Griffin, DT, 1988; Kent Wells, DT, 1989; Kenny Walker, DT, 1990; John Parrella, DT, 1992; Terry Connealy, NT, 1993; Kevin Ramackers, DT, 1993; Christian Peter, DT, 1995; Jason Peter, DT, 1996. **Academic All-Conference Players (Nine):** Rod Horn, 1978-79; Bill Barnett, 1979; Curt Himeline, 1980-81; Rob Stuckey, 1982-83-84; Ken Graeber, 1984; Chris Spachman, 1986; Kenny Walker, 1990; Pat Engelbert, 1990-91; Terry Connealy, 1992-93-94. **All-America Players (Four):** Jim Skow, DT, 1985; Danny Noonan, MG, 1986; Neil Smith, DT, 1987; Kenny Walker, DT, 1990. **Academic All-America Players (Four):** Rod Horn, 1979; Rob Stuckey, 1983-84; Pat Engelbert, 1991; Terry Connealy, 1993-94. **Pro Players (Nine):** Toby Williams, New England Patriots; Jim Skow, Cincinnati Bengals, Tampa Bay Buccaneers; Danny Noonan, Dallas Cowboys, Green Bay Packers; Neil Smith, Kansas City Chiefs; Lawrence Pete, Detroit Lions; Joe Sims, Atlanta Falcons, Detroit Lions, Green Bay Packers; Tim Roher, Los Angeles Raiders; Kenny Walker, Denver Broncos, Calgary Stampede; John Parrella, Buffalo Bills, San Diego Chargers. **Others Signing Pro Contracts (Four):** Chris Spachman, Washington Redskins; Kevin Ramackers, San Diego Chargers; Terry Connealy, New York Jets; Christian Peter, New York Giants.

The Nebraska Coaching Staff

Craig Bohl Assistant Coach Linebackers

Husker linebackers coach Craig Bohl is in his second season at Nebraska and is the newest member of Coach Osborne's staff. However, he is no stranger to the Lincoln community or the Nebraska football program as he played for the Huskers from 1977-79.

Bohl, who joined the Huskers in the spring of 1995, helped direct a Blackshirt defense which finished in the top 10 in all four major defensive categories, including fifth against the rush and also fifth in scoring defense. Linebacker Jon Hesse was a first-team All-Big 12 choice by the Associated Press, while Terrell Farley was a third-team choice.

A native of Lincoln, Neb., and a 1981 Nebraska graduate, Bohl is one of four former Husker players on Coach Osborne's staff, joining Turner Gill, Tony Samuel and Frank Solich. A 12-year collegiate coaching veteran, Bohl spent the 1994 campaign as the defensive coordinator and inside linebackers coach at Duke, and was part of one of college football's biggest turnarounds. Bohl helped the Blue Devils to an 8-4 mark in 1994, a five-game improvement from 1993, and the school's first bowl appearance since 1989.

Before moving to Duke with Coach Fred Goldsmith, Bohl spent five seasons as Goldsmith's defensive coordinator at Rice. During his tenure on the Owls' sideline, three of his linebackers earned All-Southwest Conference honors.

Prior to his stint at Rice, Bohl spent two seasons (1987-88) at Wisconsin as linebackers coach, a pair of campaigns (1985-86) coaching linebackers at Tulsa and a season (1984) as the secondary coach at North Dakota State. He began his collegiate coaching career as a graduate assistant at Nebraska from 1981 through 1983. In his first coaching stint with the Big Red, Bohl worked with the defensive backs and linebackers.

Bohl was a reserve in the Husker secondary from 1977 through 1979. As a defensive back, he played on NU's 1979 Orange Bowl and 1980 Cotton Bowl squads. He earned his bachelor's degree in business administration from Nebraska in 1981.

Bohl is married to the former Deanna Hauptman of Nebraska City, and they have five-year-old twin daughters, Mallory and Morgan, and a two-year old son Aaron. Deanna graduated from Nebraska in 1983 with a marketing degree.

The Bohl File:

Place of Birth: Lincoln, Neb...**Family:** Wife, Deanna; Children, Twin daughters Mallory and Morgan, son Aaron...**Education:** Nebraska, bachelor's degree in business administration, 1981...**Playing Experience:** 1977-79, Nebraska...**Coaching Experience:** 1981-83 Nebraska (graduate assistant/linebackers and defensive backs); 1984, North Dakota State (assistant coach/secondary); 1985-86, Tulsa (assistant coach/linebackers); 1987-88, Wisconsin (assistant coach/linebackers); 1989-93 (assistant coach/defensive coordinator); 1994, Duke (assistant coach/defensive coordinator and linebackers); 1995-present, Nebraska (assistant coach/linebackers). **All-Conference Players (two):** Terrell Farley, 1995; Jon Hesse, 1996. **Academic All-Conference Players (one):** Ryan Terwilliger, 1995. **Big Eight Defensive Newcomer-of-the-Year:** Terrell Farley, 1995. **Pro Players (one):** Doug Colman, New York Giants.



Ron Brown Assistant Coach Receivers

Ron Brown is completing his 10th season as the Huskers' receivers coach. His receivers, noted as excellent perimeter blockers, have helped Nebraska to six NCAA rushing titles in the last 10 seasons. In addition, the Husker receiving corps has led the conference in touchdown receptions three times in his tenure and has been in the top three in all but one season.

Eighteen of his former pupils have gone on to professional careers, including tight end Johnny Mitchell, the New York Jets 1992

first-round draft pick, and two-time NFL Pro Bowl selection Tyrone Hughes of the New Orleans Saints. In Brown's tenure at Nebraska, an average of 2.0 Husker receivers each season have been either drafted or signed free agent contracts.

Brown joined Coach Osborne's staff after a four-year stint at Brown University. He spent one season as the Bears' head freshman coach (1983), then moved up to the varsity staff and tutored the defensive backs for three seasons. He also served as the Assistant to the Athletic Director in 1986. In 1985, the Bears' defense led the Ivy League and ranked among the nation's top eight in the NCAA Division's I-AA in rushing, scoring and total defense.

A standout defensive back at Brown in the late 1970s and a member of the school's Sports Hall of Fame, Brown was credited with 115 tackles in his career and he picked off seven passes in his first two seasons. Brown received his bachelor's degree from Brown in 1979, then earned his master's degree in health administration from Columbia University in 1982. He began his coaching career as a defensive coordinator for the semi-pro New Jersey Rams in 1982, before moving to his alma mater in 1983.

Coach Brown hosts a weekly statewide Christian radio show across Nebraska. He wrote the chapter "Special Issues for the Black Athlete" in a book titled Black Students Guide to College Success, which is utilized by high school students across the nation. He authored a book on Nebraska's 1994 National Championship season entitled "Unfinished Business." Most recently he has finished a booklet entitled "The Mark of a Champion", which highlights championship principles in life. In 1993, author Arthur L. Lindsay wrote a biography about Coach Brown entitled "I Can."

Brown is a speaker and writer for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and serves as the FCA's national spokesman for race reconciliation and writes a monthly column in FCA's national magazine, *Sharing the Victory*. An active member of the Lincoln community, Brown runs five statewide Christian camps for disadvantaged children each summer. He is married to the former Molvina Carter of San Diego, Calif., and they have a two-year-old daughter, Sojourner Brown.



The Brown File:

Place of Birth: New York City, N.Y...**Family:** Wife, Molvina Carter; Daughter, Sojourner...**Education:** Brown, B.A. in sociology, 1979; Columbia, master's in health administration, 1982...**Playing Experience:** 1975-78, Brown...**Coaching Experience:** 1982, New Jersey Rams (defensive coordinator); 1983, Brown (head freshman coach); 1984-86, Brown (assistant coach/defensive backs); 1987-present, Nebraska (assistant coach/receivers). **Administrative Experience:** Assistant to the Athletic Director, 1986, Brown. **All-Conference Players (Four):** Dana Brinson, WB, 1988; Todd Millikan, TE, 1988; Johnny Mitchell, TE, 1990-91; Jon Bostick, SE, 1991. **Academic All-Conference Players (Five):** Tom Banderas, 1987; Jon Bostick, 1991; Johnny Mitchell, 1991; Matt Shaw, 1994, Mark Gilman, 1995. **Academic All-American Player (One):** Matt Shaw, 1994. **Pro Players (Five):** Keith Neubert, New York Jets; Richard Bell, Pittsburgh Steelers; Nate Turner, Buffalo Bills; Johnny Mitchell, New York Jets, Dallas Cowboys; Tyrone Hughes, New Orleans Saints. **Others Signing Pro Contracts (13):** Tom Banderas, Washington Redskins; Von Sheppard, Minnesota Vikings; Rod Smith, Los Angeles Raiders; Dana Brinson, San Diego Chargers; Todd Millikan, Chicago Bears; Morgan Gregory, New England Patriots; Jon Bostick, Denver Broncos; Hendley Hawkins, Cleveland Browns; Corey Dixon, Atlanta Falcons; Trumane Bell, Denver Broncos; Eric Alford, New England Patriots; Gerald Armstrong, Hamilton TigerCats; Mark Gilman, Cincinnati Bengals.

The Nebraska Coaching Staff

George Darlington Assistant Coach Secondary



George Darlington, the dean of Coach Tom Osborne's staff, is the only remaining member of Osborne's original Husker staff. Darlington is in his 24th season at Nebraska, and his 11th as the Huskers' secondary coach after tutoring the defensive ends for 13 seasons.

A former State of Nebraska Fellowship of Christian Athletes Coach-of-the-Year, Darlington helped develop four All-America defensive ends—George Andrews, Jimmy Williams, Derrie Nelson and Bob Martin, and he's had at least one first-team All-Big Eight defensive back for nine straight seasons.

In 1996, rover Mike Minter was a first-team selection, while cornerback Michael Booker was a second-team pick. In addition, true freshman Ralph Brown was named the Big 12 defensive freshman-of-the-year by the Associated Press. The Huskers, who have led the conference in pass defense three times in the last nine seasons, ranked second in the league in 1996 and intercepted 23 passes, the most by Nebraska since 1981. The Huskers returned four of those 23 picks for touchdowns.

Prior to joining Osborne's staff in 1973, Darlington spent four seasons as an assistant coach at San Jose State. He coached two years at Johnson Regional High School in Clark, N.J., then started his college coaching career at Lebanon Valley (Pa.) College before going on to San Jose State.

A 1961 graduate of Rutgers University with a bachelor's degree in history and physical education, Darlington earned his master's degree from Stanford in 1962. While at Rutgers, Darlington lettered in football in 1959 and 1960, and also lettered twice in lacrosse, earning third-team All-America honors in 1961. George and his wife, Susan, have three children, Lisa, David and Julia, and four grandchildren.

The Darlington File:

Place of Birth: Charleston, W. Va. **Family:** Wife, Susan; Children, Lisa, David and Julia, four grandchildren. **Education:** Rutgers, B.S. history and physical education, 1961; Stanford, M.A. Education, 1962. **Playing Experience:** 1959-60, Rutgers (football); 1960-61, Rutgers (lacrosse). **Coaching Experience:** 1962-63, Johnson (N.J.) Regional High School (assistant coach); 1964-67, Lebanon (Pa.) Valley (assistant coach); 1969-72, San Jose State (assistant coach); 1973-85, Nebraska (assistant coach/defensive ends); 1986-present, Nebraska (assistant coach/defensive backs). **All-Conference Players (18):** Steve Manstedt, DE, 1973; Bob Martin, DE, 1974-75; Ray Phillips, DE, 1976; George Andrews, DE, 1978; Derrie Nelson, DE, 1979-80; Jimmy Williams, DE, 1981; Tony Felici, DE, 1981-82; Scott Strasburger, DE, 1984; Bill Weber, DE, 1984; Charles Fryar, CB, 1988; Tim Jackson, S, 1988; Reggie Cooper, SS, 1989-90; Bruce Pickens, CB, 1989-90; Tyrone Legette, CB, 1991; Tyrone Byrd, FS, 1992; Barron Miles, CB, 1993-94; Tyrone Williams, CB, 1994-95; Mike Minter, Rover, 1996. **Academic All-Conference Players (10):** Steve Manstedt, 1973; George Andrews, 1977-78; Bill Weber, 1982-83-84; Scott Strasburger, 1983-84; Scott Tucker, 1985; Brad Smith, 1985; Bryan Siebler, 1986; Jeff Tomjack, 1987; Mark Blazek, 1987-88; Eric Stokes, 1995. **All-America Players (Four):** Bob Martin, DE, 1975; George Andrews, DE, 1978; Derrie Nelson, DE, 1980; Jimmy Williams, DE, 1981. **Academic All-America Players (Four):** George Andrews, 1978; Bill Weber, 1982; Scott Strasburger, 1983-84; Mark Blazek, 1987-88. **Big 12 Defensive Freshman-of-the-Year (one):** Ralph Brown, CB, 1996. **Toyota Leader-of-the-Year (One):** Mark Blazek, 1988. **Pro Players (13):** Jimmy Williams, Detroit Lions, Minnesota Vikings, Tampa Bay Buccaneers; Derrie Nelson, San Diego Chargers; Brian Davis, Washington Redskins, Seattle Seahawks, San Diego Chargers, Minnesota Vikings; Brian Washington, Cleveland Browns, New York Jets, Kansas City Chiefs; Charles Fryar, Barcelona Dragons; Tim Jackson, Dallas Cowboys, Barcelona Dragons; Reggie Cooper, Dallas Cowboys; Tyrone Legette, New Orleans Saints; Bruce Pickens, Atlanta Falcons, Kansas City Chiefs, Oakland Raiders; John Reece, Arizona Cardinals, Kansas City Chiefs; Toby Wright, St. Louis Rams; Barron Miles, Pittsburgh; Tyrone Williams, Green Bay Packers. **Others Signing Pro Contracts (Five):** Tahaun Lewis, Kansas City Chiefs; Curtis Cotton, Los Angeles Raiders; Kenny Whitte, Chicago Bears; Steve Carmer, Houston Oilers; Kareem Moss, Houston Oilers.

Turner Gill Assistant Coach Quarterbacks



Former standout Husker signal caller Turner Gill is in his fifth season as Nebraska's quarterback coach.

Gill returned to his alma mater in August of 1992 after spending the 1991 season as receivers coach at Southern Methodist. This season Gill was charged with the duty of replacing Heisman runner-up Tommie Frazier. Junior Scott Frost performed well, as he guided NU to a 10-2 record and was named the Big 12 Offensive Newcomer-of-the-Year by the league's coaches.

Frost passed for more than 1,400 yards, ran for more than 400 and accounted for 22 touchdowns while throwing just three interceptions.

In 1995, Husker signal caller Tommie Frazier was a consensus first-team All-American, won the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award, finished as the runner-up for the Heisman Trophy and was a Davey O'Brien Award finalist. Frazier also became Gill's first all-conference quarterback in four seasons at Nebraska and set numerous Nebraska records, including the career total offense record. He was also a three-time bowl MVP, including the 1996 Fiesta Bowl and 1995 Orange Bowl, when Frazier led NU to national titles.

In his rookie season on the coaching staff, Gill watched as Frazier became the first player in Nebraska history to start at quarterback as a true freshman in 1992 and went on to earn Big Eight Newcomer-of-the-Year.

As Nebraska's starting quarterback from 1981 through 1983, Gill led the Huskers to a 28-2 mark, including a 20-0 league record, and three conference titles. A three-time All-Big Eight pick and a second-team All-American as a senior, Gill was the catalyst of the Huskers' high-octane 1983 offense, a season in which NU I-back Mike Rozier won the Heisman Trophy and Gill finished fourth in the voting for collegiate football's top award. The '83 team finished 12-1 and second in the final polls. In his four-year career (1980-83), Gill completed 231 of 428 passes for 3,317 yards, 34 touchdowns and a .540 completion percentage. He rushed for 1,317 yards and 18 TDs to finish fourth on NU's all-time total offense chart with 4,634 yards.

A talented all-around athlete, Gill spent two seasons with the Canadian Football League's Montreal Concordes (1984-85) and three years (1986-88) in the Cleveland and Detroit minor league baseball systems. He left baseball and returned to his native state to the University of North Texas in 1990, where he was a volunteer assistant football coach and earned a B.A. in behavior analysis.

Gill returned to Nebraska and served as a graduate assistant on the Huskers' 1990 staff, then moved to SMU as a graduate assistant for the 1991 campaign. He took graduate courses at each school. Gill returned to Nebraska prior to the 1992 season after SMU had elevated him to a full-time coaching position. He is married to the former Gayle DeBrie, of Kearney, Neb., and they have two daughters, Jordan, 6, and Margaux, 2.

The Gill File:

Place of Birth: Fort Worth, Texas. **Family:** Wife, Gayle; Daughters, Jordan and Margaux. **Education:** University of North Texas, B.A. in behavior analysis, 1990; has completed graduate work at Nebraska and SMU. **Playing Experience:** 1980-83, Nebraska; 1984-85, Montreal Concordes; 1986-88, Cleveland and Detroit minor league baseball systems. **Coaching Experience:** 1989, (volunteer assistant coach) North Texas; 1990, Nebraska (graduate assistant coach); 1991, Southern Methodist (graduate assistant/receivers); 1992-present, Nebraska (assistant coach/quarterbacks). **All-Conference Players (one):** Tommie Frazier, 1995. **Academic All-Conference Players (one):** Brook Berringer, 1995. **All-America Players (one):** Tommie Frazier, 1995. **Johnny Unitas Award Winner (one):** Tommie Frazier, 1995. **Davey O'Brien Finalist (one):** Tommie Frazier, 1995. **Heisman Finalist (one):** Tommie Frazier, 1995 (2nd). **Big Eight Offensive Player-of-the-Year (one):** Tommie Frazier, 1995. **Big Eight Offensive Newcomer-of-the-Year:** Tommie Frazier, 1992. **Big 12 Offensive Newcomer-of-the-Year (one):** Scott Frost, 1996. **Pro Players (one):** Tommie Frazier, Montreal Alouettes.

The Nebraska Coaching Staff

Tony Samuel Assistant Coach Rush Ends/OLBs

A defensive end at Nebraska from 1975-77, Tony Samuel returned to his alma mater as an assistant coach in 1986 and is finishing his 11th season on the Husker sideline. Earlier this month, Samuel was named the head coach at New Mexico State University and will coach his last game with the Huskers in the Orange Bowl.

In 1996, both of Samuel's rush ends, senior Jared Tomich and junior Grant Wistrom, earned first-team All-America honors. Tomich has twice earned All-America honors, with Wistrom earning his first honors, giving Samuel a total of five All-America players. In addition, Tomich was a Lombardi finalist, while Wistrom was a finalist for numerous national defensive player-of-the-year honors. Wistrom was also named the Touchdown Club of Columbus Defensive Lineman-of-the-Year. Not to be outdone, Sam linebacker Jamel Williams was NU's leading tackler in 1996, and earned second-team All-Big 12 honors.

In the past, Samuel has tutored such Husker standouts as 1993 Butkus Award winner Trev Alberts, 1988 Butkus Award runner-up Broderick Thomas, Jeff Mills, Mike Croel and 1992 Butkus Award semifinalist Travis Hill.

In 1993, Alberts brought home the Huskers' first-ever Butkus Award, was selected as the school's 10th NCAA Today's Top Eight Award winner and earned Big Eight Conference Athlete-of-the-Year honors, before being a first-round selection by the Indianapolis Colts. Alberts was the third Samuel protegee to earn first-round draft status, following in the footsteps of Thomas (Tampa Bay, 1989) and Croel (Denver, 1991).

Since Samuel joined the Nebraska staff, he's helped the Blackshirts rank among the nation's top 15 in both total and scoring defense nine times, including rankings of seventh and fifth, respectively in 1996. He has produced at least one all-conference end/linebacker 10 of his 11 years, with at least one All-American in four of the last five seasons. Samuel currently has seven active pro players, including Croel, the NFL's 1991 defensive Rookie-of-the-Year for Denver (now with the Baltimore Ravens).

Prior to joining the Nebraska staff, Samuel served as the defensive line coach at both Stanford (1984-85) and Western Michigan (1982-83). During his two-year stint at WMU, the Broncos led the Mid-American Conference in defense.

A two-year starter for the Huskers, Samuel earned honorable-mention All-Big Eight status and was named the 1977 Optimist Club defensive lineman-of-the-year. He earned his bachelor's degree in education from Nebraska in 1979, and began his coaching career as a part-time assistant for the Huskers from 1978 through 1981. Samuel is married to the former Diane Ausdemore of Crofton, Neb., and they have three children, Travis, 13, Serena, 11, and Phillip, 8.

The Samuel File:

Place of Birth: Trinidad, West Indies...**Family:** Wife, Diane; Children, Travis, Serena, Phillip...**Education:** Nebraska, B.S. education, 1979...**Playing Experience:** 1974-77, Nebraska...**Coaching Experience:** 1978-81, Nebraska (part-time assistant coach); 1982-83, Western Michigan (assistant coach); 1984-85, Stanford (assistant coach); 1986-present, Nebraska (assistant coach/outside linebackers). **All-Conference Players (nine):** Broderick Thomas, OLB, 1986-87-88; Jeff Mills, OLB, 1989; Mike Croel, OLB, 1990; Travis Hill, OLB, 1992; Trev Alberts, OLB, 1992-93; Donta Jones, OLB, 1994; Troy Dumas, LB, 1994; Jared Tomich, RE, 1995-96; Grant Wistrom, RE, 1995-96. **Butkus Finalists (two):** Broderick Thomas, 1988 (2nd); Trev Alberts, 1993 (1st). **Touchdown Club of Columbus Defensive Lineman-of-the-Year (one):** Grant Wistrom, 1996. **Lombardi Finalist (one):** Jared Tomich, 1996. **Academic All-Conference Players (three):** Brad Tyrer, 1986; Jeff Jamrog, 1987; Trev Alberts, 1991-92-93; Grant Wistrom, 1995. **All-America Players (five):** Broderick Thomas, OLB, 1987-88; Travis Hill, 1992; Trev Alberts, OLB, 1993; Jared Tomich, RE, 1995-96; Grant Wistrom, RE, 1996. **Academic All-America Player (two):** Trev Alberts, 1993; Grant Wistrom, 1996. **Today's Top Eight Award (one):** Trev Alberts, 1993. **Pro Players (eight):** Broderick Thomas, Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Detroit Lions, Minnesota Vikings, Dallas Cowboys; Jeff Mills, San Diego Chargers, Denver Broncos, New York Giants; Mike Croel, Denver Broncos (1991 Defensive Rookie-of-the-Year), New York Giants, Baltimore Ravens; David White, New England Patriots, Buffalo Bills; Travis Hill, Cleveland Browns; Trev Alberts, Indianapolis Colts; Troy Dumas, Kansas City Chiefs, Donta Jones, Pittsburgh Steelers. **Others Signing Pro Contracts (one):** Dwayne Harris, Tampa Bay Buccaneers.



Milt Tenopir Assistant Coach Offensive Line

Milt Tenopir is in his 23rd season with the Husker offensive line, and no college football team can boast the honors which Nebraska's offensive linemen have piled up during his tenure.

Under Tenopir's guidance, NU has produced five Outland Trophy winners, including offensive tackle Zach Wiegert in 1994 and guard Will Shields in 1992. This season, center Aaron Taylor earned first team All-America honors and Nebraska once again was among the nation's leaders in rushing, averaging nearly 300 yards per game.

In all, Tenopir has coached 18 All-Americans, 11 Academic All-Americans, plus a host of all-conference selections. From 1981-83, the Huskers produced an unprecedented three-straight Outland Trophy winners in Dave Rimington (1981-82) and Dean Steinkuhler (1983).

Tenopir posted a 76-34-1 record as a high school coach in Kansas, Colorado and Nebraska before joining Coach Tom Osborne's staff in 1974.

A native of Harvard, Neb., and a graduate of Harvard High School, Tenopir received his bachelor's degree from Sterling (Kan.) College in 1961 and took graduate studies at Kansas State, Adams State and Western State. Milt is the father of three grown children, Kim, Todd and Pamela, and has five grandchildren. He is married to the former Terri Richardson, and is the stepfather to two children, Dana, 16 and Daniel, 13.



The Tenopir File:

Place of Birth: Harvard, Neb...**Family:** Wife, Terri; Children, Kim, Todd, Pamela, Dana and Daniel, four grandchildren...**Education:** B.S. Sterling College, 1961; has also completed graduate work at Kansas State, Arizona State and Washington State...**Playing Experience:** 1958-61, Sterling College...**Coaching Experience:** 1962-74, Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas high schools; 1974-present, Nebraska (assistant coach/offensive line). **All-Conference Players (41):** Marvin Crenshaw, OT, 1974; Rik Bonness, C, 1974-75; Bob Lingenfelter, OT, 1976; Dan Schmidt, OG, 1976; Tom Davis, C, 1977; Greg Jorgensen, OG, 1977; Steve Lindquist, OG, 1978; Kelvin Clark, OT, 1978; John Havekost, OG, 1979; Kelly Saalfeld, OG, 1979; Randy Schleusener, OG, 1980; Dave Rimington, C, 1980-81-82; Dan Hurley, OT, 1981; Mike Mandelko, OG, 1982; Randy Theiss, OT, 1982; Dean Steinkuhler, OG, 1983; Scott Raridon, OT, 1983; Mark Traynowicz, C, 1983-84; Harry Grimmering, OG, 1984; Mark Behning, OT, 1984; Greg Orton, OG, 1984; Brian Blankenship, OG, 1985; Bill Lewis, C, 1985; Tom Welter, OT, 1986; Kevin Lightner, OT, 1987; John McCormick, OG, 1987; Jake Young, C, 1988-89; Bob Sledge, OT, 1988; Andy Keeler, OG, 1988; Doug Glaser, OT, 1989; Tom Punt, OT, 1990; Will Shields, OG, 1990-91-92; Brian Boerboom, OT, 1991; Erik Wiegert, OG, 1991; Jim Scott, C, 1992; Zach Wiegert, OT, 1992-93-94; Lance Lundberg, OT, 1993; Ken Mehlin, OG/C, 1993; Brenden Stai, OG, 1994; Aaron Graham, C, 1994-95; Eric Anderson, OT, 1995; Chris Dishman, OT/OG, 1995-96; Aaron Taylor, OG/C, 1995-96. **All-America Players (18):** Rik Bonness, C, 1974-75; Marvin Crenshaw, OT, 1975; Tom Davis, C, 1977; Kelvin Clark, OT, 1978; Randy Schleusener, OG, 1980; Dave Rimington, C, 1981-82; Dean Steinkuhler, OG, 1983; Mark Traynowicz, C, 1984; Harry Grimmering, OG, 1984; Bill Lewis, C, 1985; John McCormick, OG, 1987; Jake Young, C, 1988-89; Doug Glaser, OT, 1989; Will Shields, OG, 1992; Zach Wiegert, OT, 1994; Brenden Stai, OG, 1994; Aaron Graham, C, 1995; Aaron Taylor, C, 1996. **Academic All-Conference Players (27):** Stan Waldemore, 1977; Tom Ohrt, 1978; Kelly Saalfeld, 1978-79; Randy Schleusener, 1979-80; Dave Rimington, 1980-81-82; Randy Theiss, 1980-81-82; Mark Traynowicz, 1983-84; Brad Muehling, 1983; Mark Behning, 1984; Tom Morrow, 1984; Tim Roth, 1985; Brian Blankenship, 1985; Rob Maggard, 1986; Tom Welter, 1986; John McCormick, 1987; John Nelson, 1988; Jake Young, 1989-90; Bill Bobbora, 1989; Jim Wanek, 1989-90; David Ideal, 1990; Rob Zatechka, 1991-92-93-94; Bill Ziegelbein, 1991; Jim Scott, C, 1992; Ken Mehlin, OG/C, 1992-93; Aaron Graham, C, 1993-94-95; Steve Ott, OG, 1995. **Academic All-America Players (11):** Kelly Saalfeld, 1979; Randy Schleusener, 1979-80; Randy Theiss, 1981-82; Dave Rimington, 1981-82; Mark Traynowicz, 1984; Tom Welter, 1986; Jake Young, 1989; David Ideal, 1990; Jim Wanek, 1990; Rob Zatechka, 1993-94; Aaron Graham, 1995. **Today's Top Six/Eight (Six):** Randy Schleusener, 1981; Dave Rimington, 1981; Mark Traynowicz, 1985; Jake Young, 1990; Rob Zatechka, 1994; Aaron Graham, 1995. **Pro Players (13):** Dave Rimington, Cincinnati Bengals, Philadelphia Eagles; Dean Steinkuhler, Houston Oilers; Mark Traynowicz, Buffalo Bills, Arizona Cardinals; Bill Lewis, Los Angeles Raiders, Arizona Cardinals, New England Patriots; Mark Behning, Pittsburgh Steelers; Stan Waldemore, New York Jets; Tom Welter, St. Louis Cardinals, Arizona Cardinals; Kevin Lightner, Montreal Machine; Will Shields, Kansas City Chiefs; Lance Lundberg, New Orleans Saints; Brenden Stai, Pittsburgh Steelers; Zach Wiegert, St. Louis Rams, Rob Zatechka, New York Giants; Aaron Graham, Arizona Cardinals. **Others Signing Pro Contracts:** John McCormick, Miami Dolphins; Jim Scott, Chicago Bears.

The Nebraska Coaching Staff

Dan Young Assistant Coach Offensive Line & Kickers

Dan Young is in his 14th season on the Nebraska coaching staff, his 11th as offensive line and kicking coach.

Young became an offensive line coach with Milt Tenopir when Cletus Fischer retired from coaching after the 1985 season, and he is also in charge of the Huskers' punters and place-kickers. Young had spent three years as head freshman/junior varsity coach, posting a 14-1-0 record, before joining the varsity staff.



Outstanding special teams play is a Nebraska trademark, and in 1996, the Huskers ranked among the Big 12 and national leaders in net punting. Young's punt team ranked among the nation's top six in net punting each season from 1992-94. This season, placekicker Kris Brown was a second-team All-Big 12 choice, while punter Jesse Kosch was an honorable-mention pick and set a new school record with a 44.7-yard punting average.

Young came to Nebraska after six highly-successful seasons as the head coach at Omaha's Westside High School, where his Warriors were 55-11-0 from 1977-82, reached the state championship game three times, and posted back-to-back 12-0-0 state championship seasons in 1981 and 1982. Young began his coaching career as head coach at Barneston (Neb.) High School from 1962-64 (25-3-0), then, after a year as an assistant coach at St. Paul (Neb.) High School, he served as an assistant at Westside for 11 seasons.

A graduate of Primrose, Neb., High School, Young received his bachelor's degree from Kearney State in 1962. He has done graduate work at Nebraska, Nebraska-Omaha, Missouri, and Reed College, and earned his master's degree in liberal studies from Reed in 1972. He has a son, Jeff, a daughter, Kris, and four grandchildren. Young and his wife, Ronda, were married in the summer of 1995.

The Young File:

Place of Birth: Primrose, Neb.; **Family:** Wife, Rhonda; Children, Jeff, Kris; four grandchildren; **Education:** B.S. Kearney State, 1962; M.S. in liberal studies from Reed College, 1972; **Playing Experience:** 1959-62, Kearney State; **Coaching Experience:** 1962-64, Barneston (Neb.) High School (head coach); 1965, St. Paul (Neb.) High School (assistant coach); 1966-76, Omaha (Neb.) Westside High School (assistant coach); 1977-82, Omaha (Neb.) Westside High School (head coach); 1983-85, Nebraska (head freshman coach); 1986-present, Nebraska (assistant coach/offensive line and kickers). **All-Conference Players (21):** Tom Welter, OT, 1986; Kevin Lightner, OT, 1987; John McCormick, OG, 1987; Andy Keeler, OG, 1988; Bob Sledge, OT, 1988; Jake Young, C, 1988-89; Doug Glaser, OT, 1989; Tom Punt, OT, 1990; Will Shields, OG, 1990-91-92; Erik Wiegert, OG, 1991; Brian Boerboom, OT, 1991; Mike Stigge, P, 1991; Jim Scott, C; Zach Wiegert, 1992-93-94; Lance Lundberg, OT, 1993; Ken Mehlin, C/OG, 1993; Brenden Stai, OG, 1994; Aaron Graham, C, 1994-95; Eric Anderson, OT, 1995; Chris Dishman, OT/OG, 1995-96; Aaron Taylor, OG/C, 1995-96. **Academic All-Conference Players (19):** Rob Maggard, 1986; Tom Welter, 1986; Dale Klein, 1986; John McCormick, 1987-88; John Kroeker, 1987; John Nelson, 1988; Jake Young, 1988-89; Bill Bobbora, 1989; Jim Wanek, 1989-90; David Edeal, 1990; Mike Stigge, 1989-90-91-92; Rob Zatechka, 1991-92-93-94; Bill Ziegelbein, 1991; Ken Mehlin, 1992-93; Jim Scott, 1992; Aaron Graham, 1993-94-95; Darin Erstad, 1994; Jesse Kosch, 1995; Steve Ott, 1995. **All-America Players (Eight):** John McCormick, OG, 1987; Jake Young, C, 1988-89; Doug Glaser, OT, 1989; Will Shields, OG, 1992; Zach Wiegert, OT, 1994; Brenden Stai, OG, 1994; Aaron Graham, C, 1995; Aaron Taylor, C, 1996. **Academic All-America Players (Nine):** Tom Welter, 1986; Dale Klein, 1986; John Kroeker, 1988; Jake Young, 1989; David Edeal, 1990; Jim Wanek, 1990; Mike Stigge, 1991-92; Rob Zatechka, 1993; Aaron Graham, 1995. **Outland Trophy Winners (Two):** Will Shields, OG, 1992; Zach Wiegert, OT, 1994. **Today's Top Eight (Three):** Jake Young, 1990; Rob Zatechka, 1994; Aaron Graham, 1995. **Pro Players (Eight):** Tom Welter, St. Louis Cardinals; Kevin Lightner, Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Montreal Machine; Will Shields, Kansas City Chiefs; Lance Lundberg, New Orleans Saints; Brenden Stai, Pittsburgh Steelers; Zach Wiegert, St. Louis Rams; Rob Zatechka, New York Giants; Aaron Graham, Arizona Cardinals. **Others Who Signed Pro Contracts:** John McCormick, Miami Dolphins; Jim Scott, Chicago Bears.

Husker Graduate Assistant Coaches

Clayton Carlin is in his third and final season as a graduate assistant on the Husker football staff. The Philadelphia, Pa., native works with the defensive backs, assisting Coach George Darlington.

In 1996, the NU defense was seventh nationally in pass efficiency defense and intercepted 23 passes, the most by NU since 1981. Rover Mike Minter was a first-team All-Big 12 selection while cornerback Michael Booker earned second-team honors.

Carlin came to Nebraska after serving two seasons as the secondary coach at Delaware Valley College in Doylestown, Pa. He spent five years at St. Joseph's High School in Philadelphia, the first year as secondary coach and the last four as head coach. A 1987 graduate of Juniata College, where he was a three-year starter.

A three-year letterman for the Huskers from 1989-92, Mike Grant is also in his third and final year as a graduate assistant on the NU staff. Grant assists Coach Ron Brown with the Husker receiving corps.

In 1996, three Husker receivers earned honorable-mention All-Big 12 honors, as split end Brendan Holbein, wingback Jon Vedral and tight end Vershan Jackson were lauded.

A native of Tampa, Fla., Grant graduated from Nebraska in December, 1992, with a degree in communication studies and recently received a bachelor's degree in advertising. He is presently pursuing a master's degree in mass communications.



Clayton Carlin



Mike Grant



The Husker football coaching staff--front row (from left)--George Darlington, Milt Tenopir, Tom Osborne, Frank Solich, Tony Samuel; middle row--Charlie McBride, Ron Brown, Mike Grant, Clayton Carlin; standing--Dan Young, Steve Pederson, Turner Gill, Craig Bohl and student assistant Ed Morrow. The Husker staff has a combined 151 seasons at Nebraska.

University Administration & Regents

Dr. James Moeser Chancellor

James Moeser became the 18th chancellor of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln on Feb. 1, 1996. He holds the rank of professor of music.

Chancellor Moeser began his academic career in 1966 at the University of Kansas as an assistant professor and chairman of the department of organ. He worked his way through the academic ranks at KU, eventually being named Dean of the School of Fine Arts. In 1984, he was named Althaus Distinguished Professor of Organ, the first academic dean at Kansas ever to be named to a chaired professorship.

In 1986, Dr. Moeser was appointed Dean of the College of Arts and Architecture at the Pennsylvania State University and was also executive director of University Arts and Services in charge of Penn State's cultural programs.

In 1992, he became Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost of the University Future Committee at the University of South Carolina, which established academic priorities and reallocated \$16 million over three years to support those priorities. He spearheaded a number of initiatives designed to improve the quality of undergraduate education at South Carolina, including the Residential College, enhancement of the library and Honors College and intensified recruitment of high ability students.

Born and raised in Texas, Dr. Moeser earned a bachelor of music degree with honors in 1961 and a master's of music in 1964 from the University of Texas at Arlington. He completed advanced study in Berlin and Paris under a Fulbright grant and earned a doctor of musical arts at the University of Michigan in 1967. He has an international reputation as a concert organist and actively concertized until 1993. He was a past president of the American Guild of Organists and AGO vice president from 1986 to 1990. He also chaired three of AGO's national pedagogy conferences and served as a consultant to numerous churches and universities.

Chancellor Moeser's wife, Susan Dickerson Moeser, holds a doctor of musical arts degree and is an organ professor with an active concert schedule. He is the father of two children. His daughter, Carter, is a college student in Kansas, and his son, Chris, is a journalist in Phoenix.



*Dr. L. Dennis Smith,
President
University of Nebraska*



*Robert M. Allen,
Hastings*



*Don S. Blank, D.D.S.,
McCook*



*Chuck Hassebrook,
Walthill*



*Drew Miller Ph.D.,
Papillion*



*Nancy L. O'Brien, Ph.D.,
Waterloo*



*John W. Payne,
Kearney*



*Rosemary Skrupa, J.D.,
Omaha*



*Charles S. Wilson, M.D.,
Lincoln*



*Eric Marintzer,
UN-Lincoln
Student Regent*



*John Skoog,
UN-Medical Center
Student Regent*



*Craig Richter,
UN-Omaha
Student Regent*



*Amy Kruse
UN-Kearney
Student Regent*

Nebraska Athletic Administration

Athletic Director Bill Byrne



Now in his fourth year at Nebraska, Bill Byrne continues to lead and improve one of the nation's best athletic programs.

Byrne became Nebraska's 11th athletic director on June 26, 1992, replacing the legendary Bob Devaney. Byrne officially took the reins of the athletic program, Jan. 4, 1993.

He came to Nebraska following 10 very successful years at the University of Oregon. Highly respected among his peers, Byrne was recently re-elected as the secretary-treasurer of the College Football Association and as a member of that organization's board of directors. He has served on the NCAA special committee on marketing and licensing and currently serves on the committee on special events.

Byrne has worked tirelessly to establish a close relationship with the NU community and Husker fans. For four years, Byrne has canvassed the state visiting with boosters to learn the needs of all Husker fans.

Among his many accomplishments at Nebraska, Byrne has been instrumental in upgrading Husker facilities, including the addition of two HuskerVision replay boards at Memorial Stadium in 1994. Besides becoming the first collegiate-owned venue to feature replay boards for its fans, Memorial Stadium was renovated to include a state-of-the-art training room, expanded coaches and players locker rooms, a new public address system, expanded restrooms and concession stands. In addition, section 14 was rebuilt in 1994 to offer increased seating for disabled fans.

The Michael Grace Production Studio in West Stadium and new scoreboards at the NU Softball Complex, Buck Beltzer Stadium and the Bob Devaney Sports Center indoor track are all recent additions.

Byrne's future plans ensure that Nebraska's facilities remain the best in the nation for Husker athletes and fans in their quest for championships. Byrne enlisted the Kansas City, Mo., firm of HOK Sport to develop a master facilities plan for the Nebraska athletic program. A new press box and skyboxes are part of the renovation plans for Memorial Stadium, along with waterproofing and concrete repair throughout the stadium. The Bob Devaney Sports Center will receive a new sound system, new weight room, new women's basketball locker room and a passenger elevator. Buck Beltzer Stadium will get new infield turf for the 1997 baseball season, and the NU Softball Complex will receive new dugouts. The computer center in the Boekel Academic Center also will expand.

Byrne's leadership has kept the Huskers among the nation's elite. In fact, during the 1995-96 season, Nebraska:

- ◆ won its 17th-straight Big Eight all-sports championship.
- ◆ won eight of 20 conference championships (football, volleyball, women's swimming, men's swimming, women's gymnastics, men's indoor and outdoor track and women's indoor track).
- ◆ won its fourth national title in football and first volleyball national championship.
- ◆ finished in the upper division of the conference standings in 15 of 20 sports and eighth in the Sears National Director's Cup all-sports race.
- ◆ produced its nation-leading 12th NCAA Today's Top Eight Award winner in Aaron Graham.
- ◆ produced the Big Eight Male Athlete-of-the-Year in Tommie Frazier, and the Big Eight Female Athlete-of-the-Year in Penny Heyns.

With the leadership of Byrne and former Chancellor Graham Spanier, Nebraska became the first Big Eight school to add women's soccer as a varsity sport in 1994, and gave Nebraska a Big 12-leading 22-sport offering. Byrne also led the first Nebraska team fund-raising campaign, which increased donations by more than half a million dollars.

In addition to maintaining the highest standard of excellence on the playing field, Byrne has successfully reorganized the department for the 21st century. Stressing more efficient use of resources, Byrne has created a one-stop shopping type of organization to promptly meet the needs of student-athletes, fans and contributors.

Byrne is recognized as a national leader in intercollegiate athletics and continues to make an aggressive effort, with other Big 12 athletic directors, to place conference officials on key NCAA committees to better represent the views of Big 12 institutions. He has been instrumental in the development of the Big 12 Conference and an active voice in its planning.

In conjunction with the rest of the UNL administration, Byrne has arranged to use the Husker football and basketball networks to promote causes and concerns important to the entire university community, including the institution's increased role in research.

Before bringing his expertise in the athletic world to Nebraska, Byrne served as the athletic director at Oregon. He assumed the duties of Oregon director of athletics in May of 1984 as one of the youngest directors in Division I. Byrne established fund-raising offices in Portland and southern Oregon and established a full-time marketing and promotions operation, which blossomed to encompass the Oregon Sports Network for statewide in-house production of Ducks' games on radio and television.

Byrne led \$19 million in renovations at Oregon, which resulted in new homes for the Ducks' football team and athletic department offices. He was responsible for the construction of a new press box, sky suites and total renovation of Autzen Stadium, which concluded in 1991. Two years later, the facility's Hall of Champions was dedicated in Byrne's honor.

Byrne has served as president of the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) in 1991-92, and is in his fifth year on that organization's executive committee. He was also chairman of the Pac-10 Conference executive committee and was named national fund-raiser-of-the-year by the National Athletic Fundraisers.

Byrne was born in Boston but grew up in Idaho and attended Idaho State University. Byrne was the student body president and received bachelor's and master's degrees in business from Idaho State in 1967 and 1971. Before going to Oregon in 1982, he was assistant athletic director at San Diego State (1980-82), executive director of the New Mexico Lobo Club (1976-79) and director of alumni relations at Idaho State (1971-76).

Byrne's wife, Marilyn, is the Dean of Graduate Studies in Education at Doane College and earned her Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration from NU. The Byrne's have two sons and a 1-year-old grandson, Nicholas. Nicholas' parents, Greg and Regina, live in Medford, Ore., where Greg is an athletic fund-raiser for the University of Oregon. Their other son, Bill, works as an account manager for Visa in its worldwide computer center located in San Mateo, Calif.

The University of Nebraska Athletic Staff



Bill Byrne
Athletic Director



Glen Abbott
Equipment Manager



Dr. Lonnie Albers
*Director of
Athletic Medicine*



Chris Anderson
*Sports Information
Director*



John Anderson
Ticket Manager



John Archer
*Bob Devaney Sports
Center Strength Coach*



Mike Arthur
*Assistant Director of
Athletic Performance*



Chris Bahl
Licensing Coordinator



Bryan Bailey
*Coordinator of
Reconditioning*



Gary Bargin
*Assistant Compliance
Coordinator*



Cindy Barker
*Assistant Athletic
Trainer*



Cindy Bell
*Director of Integrated
Systems*



Delinda Blanck
Development Officer



Orval Borgialli
*Devaney Center
Coordinator*



Jon Bostick
*Development
Officer*



John Bousek
Video Assistant



Don Bryant
*Associate A.D.,
Public Relations*



Craig Busboom
Accounting Manager



Clayton Carlin
*Graduate Assistant
Football Coach*



Bryan Carpenter
*Computer
Video Technician*



Dr. Pat Clare
*Chief of Staff,
Orthopedic Surgeon*



Kevin Coleman
*West Stadium
Strength Coach*



Heidi Cuca
Marketing Director



Joni Duff
Football Secretary



Dr. Robert Dugas
Team Orthopedist



Dave Ebb
*Assistant Sports
Information Director*



Dave Ellis
*Coordinator of
Performance Nutrition*



Boyd Epley
*Assistant A.D., Director of
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Dave Finn
*Director of
Video Operations*



Gary Fouraker
*Associate A.D.,
Business & Finance*

The University of Nebraska Athletic Staff



Randy Gobel
Assistant Director of
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Mike Gooding
Assistant Athletic Trainer



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Graduate Assistant
Football Coach



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Team Physician,
Orthopedist



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Associate A.D., Senior
Women's Administrator



Robert Hicks
Coordinator of University
Programs



Butch Hug
Director of Events



John Ingram
Director of Facilities



Nick Joos
Director of
Basketball Operations



Shot Kleen
HuskerVision Chief
Engineer



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Services Manager



Hank Largin
Assistant Sports
Information Director



Roland "Duke" LaRue
Assistant Athletic Trainer



Dennis Leblanc
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Devaney Center
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Dr. James O'Hanlon
Institutional
Representative



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Director of
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Grounds Manager



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Video Assistant



Dr. Jack Stark
Performance Psychologist



George Sullivan
Head Trainer Emeritus



Barry Swanson
Marketing Coordinator



Scott Strasburger, M.D.
Team Physician,
Orthopedist



Renee Swartz
Yell Squad Sponsor



Curt Thompson
Coordinator of
Performance Ed. Services



Sonya Varnell
Coordinator of
Multicultural Programs



Jerry Weber
Head Athletic Trainer



Sara Weinberg
Assistant Athletic Trainer



Mary Lyn Wininger
Coach Osborne's
Secretary

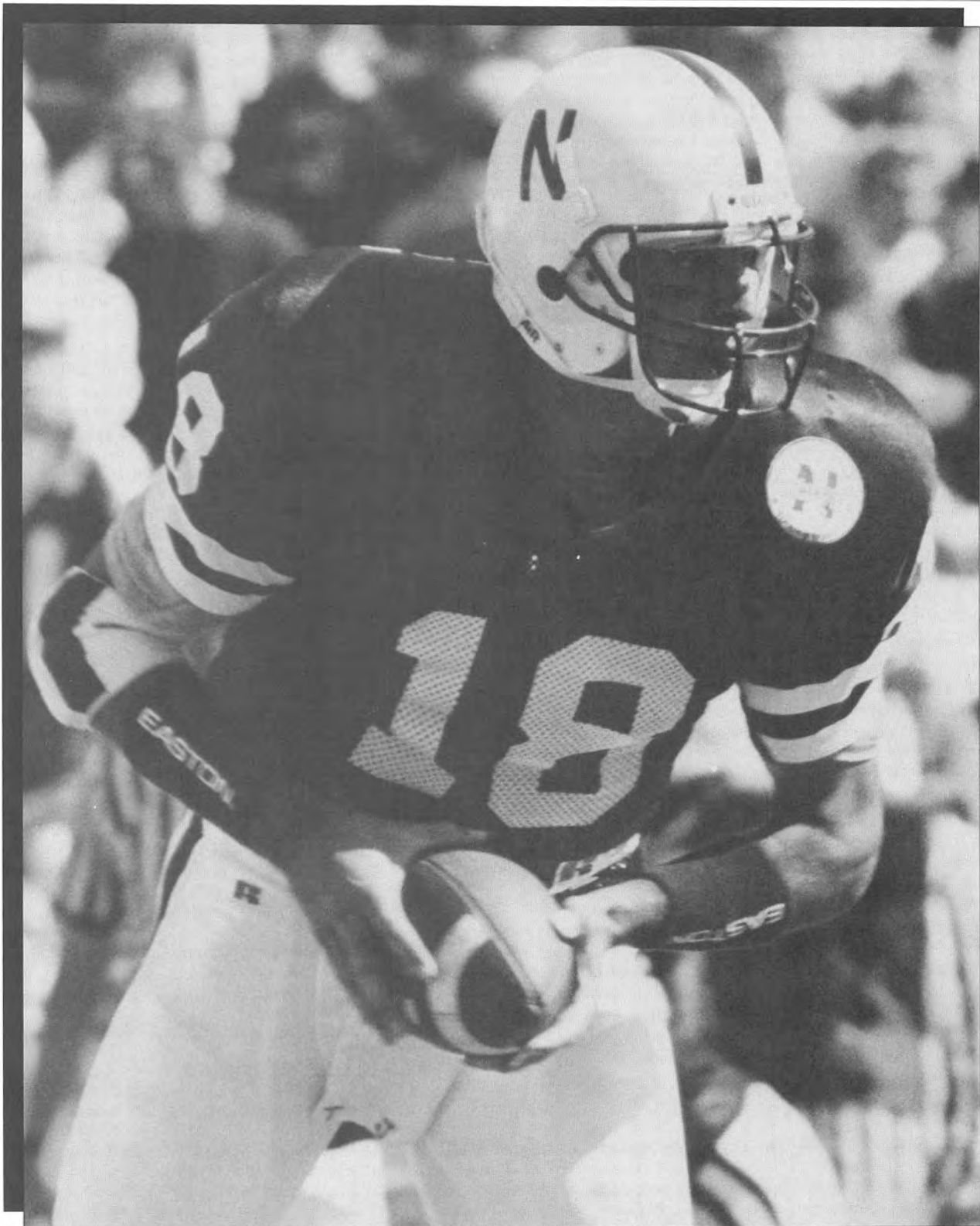


Keith Zimmer
Asst. Dir. of Academic
& Student Services

Longtime SID Don Bryant to Retire

Longtime Husker Legend Don Bryant will retire following the 1996-97 season. Bryant was Nebraska's second Sports Information Director, serving in that role for 31 years. He has been an assistant athletic director for 21 years and has served as Nebraska's Associate Athletic Director for Public Relations since retiring as SID in 1993, devoting 34 years to the Big Red. The "Fox," as known by friends and peers throughout the country, was honored during pregame and halftime of the Huskers' final home game vs. Colorado, as he was "working" his last official home football game. Fox holds CoSIDA records for working 28 bowl games, and 24 consecutive bowl games. Including the games that Fox observed as Sports Editor of the Lincoln Journal Star (1954-63), Fox has worked and attended 492 of the last 496 games, had attended 492 consecutive (until KU game of 1995 season) and has a streak of 262 consecutive home games in Memorial Stadium (counting the Nov. 29 contest with Colorado). Fox is easily recognized both on the sideline and at functions in his bright red plaid jacket. The University of Nebraska Athletic Department was proud to "officially retire" the original version. The framed jacket will hang in the press box. Fox is shown at right with Athletic Director Bill Byrne, his wife Pedie, son Bill, grandson Asa and current SID Chris Anderson.





The 1996 season was dedicated to the memory of Brook Berringer, who died in a plane crash on April 18, 1996. In his honor, the Husker players have worn a black No. 18 sticker on their helmets. Nebraska had a brief dedication ceremony before the first game of the 1996 season.

The Players

1996 Prebowl Husker Depth Chart

(as of Dec. 10, 1996)

Offense

- SE:** 5 **BRENDAN HOLBEIN*****, 5-9, 195, Sr., Cozad, Neb.
89 Jeff Lake**, 6-4, 210, Jr., Columbus, Neb. (Lakeview)
- OR-** 6 **Kenny Cheatham***, 6-4, 210, So., Phoenix, Ariz. (South Mountain)
80 Billy Haafke, 5-11, 190, So., South Sioux City, Neb.
- LT:** 77 **Adam Treu****, 6-6, 305, Sr., Lincoln, Neb. (Pius X)
75 **Chris Dishman*****, 6-3, 310, Sr., Cozad, Neb.
78 **Kory Mikos****, 6-5, 295, Sr., Seward, Neb.
69 Adam Julch, 6-5, 310, Fr., Omaha, Neb. (Burke)
- LG:** 75 **CHRIS DISHMAN*****, 6-3, 310, Sr., Cozad, Neb.
67 Aaron Taylor**, 6-1, 305, Jr., Wichita Falls, Tex. (Rider)
51 **Matt Vrzal****, 6-1, 300, Sr., Grand Island, Neb.
63 James Sherman, 6-2, 300, Fr., LaVerne, Calif. (Whittier)
- C:** 67 **AARON TAYLOR****, 6-1, 305, Jr., Wichita Falls, Tex. (Rider)
59 Josh Heske*, 6-3, 280, So., Yukon, Okla. (Mustang)
51 **Matt Vrzal****, 6-1, 300, Sr., Grand Island, Neb.
- RG:** 64 **Jon Zatechka****, 6-2, 290, Jr., Lincoln, Neb. (East)
62 **Matt Hoskinson***, 6-1, 280, Jr., Battle Creek, Neb.
71 **Mike Van Cleave***, 6-2, 295, Jr., Hoffman, Texas (Hargrave)
- RT:** 70 **ERIC ANDERSON****, 6-4, 305, Jr., Lincoln, Neb. (Southeast)
77 **Adam Treu****, 6-6, 305, Sr., Lincoln, Neb. (Pius X)
73 **Fred Pollack****, 6-4, 310, Jr., Omaha, Neb. (Creighton Prep)
- TE:** 90 **Tim Carpenter****, 6-3, 255, Jr., Columbus, Neb.
34 **Vershan Jackson***, 6-0, 245, Jr., Omaha, Neb. (South)
- OR-** 88 **Sheldon Jackson***, 6-4, 250, So., Diamond Bar, Calif. (Damien)
81 Aaron Wills, 6-2, 250, Fr., Omaha, Neb. (Burke)
85 T.J. DeBates, 6-3, 245, Fr., Stewartville, Minn.
- QB:** 7 Scott Frost, 6-3, 215, Jr., Wood River, Neb. (Stanford)
11 **Matt Turman****, 5-11, 185, Sr., Wahoo, Neb. (Neumann)
8 Jeff Perino, 6-2, 210, Fr., Durango, Colo.
- OR-** 9 Monte Christo, 6-0, 195, So., Kearney, Neb.
- OR-** 1 **Frankie London**, 6-0, 175, Fr., Lake Charles, La. (LaGrange)
- FB:** 28 **Brian Schuster****, 5-11, 230, Sr., Fullerton, Neb.
45 **Joel Makovicka***, 5-11, 235, So., Brainard, Neb. (East Butler)
40 **Billy Legate***, 5-11, 220, So., Elgin, Neb. (Clearwater)
42 Josh Cobb, 5-11, 230, So., Wallace, Neb.
- OR-** 22 **Ben Kingston**, 6-1, 230, Fr., Omaha, Neb. (Westside)
- IB:** 4 DeAngelo Evans, 5-9, 210, Fr., Wichita, Kan. (Collegiate)
- OR-** 21 **Damon Benning*****, 5-11, 215, Sr., Omaha, Neb. (Northwest)
31 **Jay Sims***, 6-1, 220, Jr., Omaha, Neb. (West Memphis, Ark.)
- WB:** 29 **Shevin Wiggins**, 5-11, 190, So., Palmetto, Fla. (Manatee)
14 **Lance Brown***, 5-11, 190, So., Papillion (Papillion-LaVista)
33 Sean Wieting, 5-9, 190, Jr., Tualatin, Ore. (Tigard)
- PK:** 35 **KRIS BROWN***, 5-10, 205, So., Southlake, Texas (Carroll)
13 **Ted Retzlaff***, 6-0, 190, Jr., Waverly, Neb.

Injured:

- SE** 82 J.R. Edwards, 6-2, 195, Fr., Lincoln, Neb. (Southeast)
OT 68 Jeff Clausen, Fr., 6-6, 305, Dixon, Ill.
IB 30 **Ahman Green***, 6-0, 215, So., Omaha, Neb. (Central)

Key: *Letters earned; # Duplicate numbers; Returning starters in All CAPS; Returning lettermen in boldface.

Defense

- LR:** 93 **JARED TOMICH****, 6-2, 260, Sr., St. John, Ind. (Lake Central)
57 **Chad Kelsay***, 6-3, 235, So., Auburn, Neb.
92 **Travis Toline***, 6-3, 235, So., Wahoo, Neb.
87 **Chris Bassett**, 6-0, 225, Jr., Tracy, Minn.
- DT:** 97 **Jeff Ogard****, 6-6, 310, Sr., St. Paul, Neb.
99 Jason Wiltz, 6-3, 285, So., New Orleans, La. (St. Augustine)
96 **Steve Warren**, 6-3, 275, Fr., Springfield, Mo. (Kickapoo)
58 **Brandon Drum**, 6-3, 260, Fr., Columbus, Neb. (Scotus)
- DT:** 55 **JASON PETER****, 6-5, 285, Jr., Locust, N.J. (Milford Academy)
74 **Scott Saltsman****, 6-2, 270, Sr., Wichita Falls, Texas (Rider)
95 **Derek Allen**, 6-3, 280, Fr., Russellville, Ark.
- RR:** 98 **GRANT WISTROM****, 6-5, 250, Jr., Webb City, Mo.
84 **Mike Rucker***, 6-6, 250, So., St. Joseph, Mo. (Benton)
15 **Kareem Sears**, 6-2, 245, Fr., Enid, Okla.
- SAM:** 28 **Jamel Williams****, 6-2, 210, Sr., Merrillville, Ind.
46 **Brian Shaw**, 6-0, 215, Fr., Deweese, Neb. (Sandy Creek)
37 **Tony Ortiz**, 6-0, 210, Fr., Waterbury, Conn. (Crosby)
49 **Quint Hogrefe**, 5-11, 210, So., Auburn, Neb.
- MIKE:** 44 **Jon Hesse****, 6-4, 250, Sr., Lincoln, Neb. (Southeast)
56 **JAY FOREMAN***, 6-1, 230, So., Eden Prairie, Minn.
50 **Julius Jackson**, 6-0, 225, Fr., Gainesville, Texas
36 **Ben Buettenback**, 5-11, 210, Fr., Hastings, Neb.
- WILL:** 91 **Ryan Terwilliger*****, 6-5, 225, Sr., Grant, Neb.
4 **Octavious McFarlin****, 5-11, 195, Jr., Bastrop, Texas
1 **Eric Johnson**, 6-0, 205, So., Phoenix, Ariz. (Alhambra)
47 **Josh Kohl**, 6-1, 215, Fr., Hastings, Neb.
- LCB:** 20 **MICHAEL BOOKER****, 6-2, 205, Sr., Oceanside, Calif. (El Camino)
12 **Mike Fullman***, 5-7, 170, Sr., Roselle, N.J. (Abraham Clark)
27 **Mike Brown**, 6-0, 200, Fr., Scottsdale, Ariz. (Saguaro)
2 **Leslie Dennis****, 5-9, 175, Jr., Bradenton, Fla. (Southeast)
17 **Chad Blahak***, 5-9, 185, Sr., Lincoln, Neb. (Lincoln High)
- FS:** 16 **Eric Stokes*****, 5-11, 195, Sr., Lincoln, Neb. (East)
3 **Eric Warfield***, 6-0, 195, Jr., Texarkana, Ark. (Arkansas)
32 **Eric Walther***, 6-0, 170, So., Juniata, Neb. (Hastings Adams Cent.)
24 **Jason Benes**, 5-11, 185, Jr., Valparaiso, Neb. (Raymond-Central)
- ROV:** 10 **MIKE MINTER*****, 5-10, 190, Sr., Lawton, Okla.
29 **Gregg List**, 6-0, 195, Fr., Valentine, Neb.
39 **Mike Roberts***, 6-1, 185, Sr., Omaha, Neb. (Central)
- RCB:** 22 **Ralph Brown**, 5-11, 180, Fr., Hacienda Heights, Calif. (Bishop Amat)
26 **Jerome Peterson**, 5-7, 185, Fr., Port Allen, La.
48 **David Alderman***, 5-10, 190, Sr., Omaha, Neb. (North)
- P:** 19 **JESSE KOSCH***, 6-0, 185, Jr., Columbus, Neb. (Scotus)
35 **Kris Brown***, 5-10, 205, So., Southlake, Texas (Carroll)

Specialists

- KO Returns** 21 **Damon Benning***** 4 **DeAngelo Evans**
Punt Returns 12 **Mike Fullman*** 29 **Shevin Wiggins*****,
4 **Octavious McFarlin****
Holder 25 **Jon Vedral**** 11 **Matt Turman****
Snapper 77 **Adam Treu**** 57 **Kyle Henson**

Husker Home States Include Florida

The 1996 Huskers hail from 23 states across the United States, and include 116 players from the state of Nebraska.

Florida:

Leslie Dennis, Bradenton, Cornerback
Shevin Wiggins, Palmetto, Wingback

Starters from Lincoln, Neb.:

Eric Anderson, OT
Jon Hesse, MLB
Eric Stokes, FS
Adam Treu, OT
Jon Zatechka, OG



Senior free safety Eric Stokes is one of five Husker starters who call Lincoln, Neb., home. Stokes played the 1996 season with degree in hand, earning a sociology degree last summer.

Husker Seniors

Huskers Say Goodbye to 24 Seniors:

The Orange Bowl game is the last game for 24 Cornhusker seniors. During their careers, the Husker senior class has won two national championships, three conference titles, played in three championship games, posted an unprecedented 46-3 overall record and has not lost at home.

Nebraska's 24 seniors are:

David Alderman, LCB
Damon Benning, IB
Chad Blahak, CB
Michael Booker, CB
Chris Dishman, OG
Chad Eicher, IB
Mike Fullman, CB
Jon Hesse, LB
Brendan Holbein, SE
Kory Mikos, OT
Bryce Miller, RE
Mike Minter, Rover
Jeff Ogard, DT
Mike Roberts, Rover
Scott Saltsman, DT
Brian Schuster, FB
Eric Stokes, CB
Ryan Terwilliger, LB
Jared Tomich, RE
Adam Treu, OT
Matt Turman, QB
Jon Vedral, WB
Matt Vrzal, OG
Jamel Williams, LB



Shevin Wiggins was a backup to Jon Vedral at wingback and also returned punts for the Huskers. He had 175 yards on 13 returns including a 43-yard return for a TD vs. Colorado State.

1996 Husker Honors



Chris Dishman



Jon Hesse



Jared Tomich



Mike Minter



Jason Peter



Aaron Taylor



Grant Wistrom

Athletic Honors

National Awards

Frank Broyles Assistant Coach of the Year Finalist: Defensive line and Defensive Coordinator Charlie McBride

Touchdown Club of Columbus College Defensive Lineman of the Year: Grant Wistrom, RE

Bronko Nagurski Defensive Player-of-the-Year Finalist (1/5):

Grant Wistrom, RE

Football News Defensive Player-of-the-Year Finalist (1/5):

Grant Wistrom, RE

Lombardi Award Finalist (1/4): Jared Tomich, RE

Bronko Nagurski Midseason Leader: Jared Tomich, RE

Outland Trophy Award Semifinalists:

Aaron Taylor, Center

Chris Dishman, OG

CFA Good Works Team (1/13): Jared Tomich, RE

Sporting News Freshman All-America Team: Ralph Brown, CB

All-Americans

First Team:

Aaron Taylor, Center (Walter Camp, Football News, Football Writers)

Jared Tomich, RE (Walter Camp)

Grant Wistrom, RE (AP, Football Writers, AFCA Coaches, Sporting News, Football News)

Second Team:

Chris Dishman, OT (AP)

Aaron Taylor, Center (AP, Sporting News)

Jared Tomich, RE (AP)

Big 12 Honors

AP Big 12 Coach-of-the-Year: Tom Osborne

Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Year: Grant Wistrom, RE (AP, Coaches)

Big 12 Defensive Newcomer-of-the-Year: Ralph Brown, CB, Freshman (AP)

Big 12 Offensive Newcomer-of-the-Year: Scott Frost, QB, Junior (Coaches)

First Team:

Chris Dishman, OG (AP, Coaches)

Jon Hesse, LB (AP)

Jared Tomich, RE (AP)

Mike Minter, Rover (AP)

Jason Peter, DT (AP, Coaches)

Aaron Taylor, Center (AP, Coaches)

Grant Wistrom, RE (AP, Coaches)

Second Team:

Eric Anderson, OT (AP, Coaches)

Michael Booker, CB (AP, Coaches)

Kris Brown, PK (AP, Coaches)

Mike Minter, Rover (Coaches)

Jeff Ogard, DT (AP, Coaches)

Jamel Williams, LB (AP)

Third Team:

Scott Frost, QB (Coaches)

Terrell Farley, LB (AP, Coaches)

Ahman Green, IB (AP, Coaches)

Jon Hesse, LB (Coaches)

Jared Tomich, RE (Coaches)

Honorable Mention:

Ralph Brown, CB (AP, Coaches)

DeAngelo Evans, IB (AP, Coaches)

Scott Frost, QB (AP)

Brendan Holbein, SE (Coaches)

Vershan Jackson, TE (AP, Coaches)

Jesse Kosch, P (Coaches)

Brian Schuster, FB (AP, Coaches)

Eric Stokes, FS (AP, Coaches)

Jon Vedral, WB (Coaches)

Jamel Williams, LB (Coaches)

Academic Honors

All-Americans

GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-Americans:

First-Team: Grant Wistrom, RE, 3.52, Pharmacy

Second-Team: Jon Hesse, LB, 3.546, Psychology

NACDA Postgraduate Scholarship Finalist: Jon Hesse, LB (\$5,000)

CFA Scholar-Athletes:

Jon Hesse, LB, 3.546, Psychology

Grant Wistrom, RE, 3.52, Pharmacy

GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-District VII:

Scott Frost, QB, 3.642, Business Administration

Brian Schuster, FB, 3.44, Education

Jon Zatechka, OG, 3.64, Fisheries and Wildlife

Jon Hesse, LB, 3.546, Psychology

Grant Wistrom, RE, 3.52, Pharmacy

Nebraska Orange Bowl Rosters

Alphabetical Roster:

list includes all players

No.	Let.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Birthday	Yr.	Hometown (High School/College)
48	*	Alderman, David	LCB	5-10	190	9/10/74	Sr.	Omaha, Neb. (North)
36		Alexander, Dan	FB	6-1	240	3/17/78	Fr.	Wentzville, Mo.
95		Allen, Derek	DT	6-3	280	4/25/77	Fr.	Russellville, Ark.
89		Almanzar, Luis	DT	6-3	250	12/15/76	Fr.	Jersey City, N.J. (Dickinson)
70	**	Anderson, Eric	OT	6-4	305	7/16/75	Jr.	Lincoln, Neb. (Southeast)
30		Anderson, Josh	LCB	5-8	170	8/15/77	Fr.	Wahoo, Neb.
94		Antholz, Travis	RR	6-4	225	11/4/76	Fr.	McDonald, Kan. (Cheylin)
87		Applegate, Sean	WB	5-9	175	6/13/77	Fr.	Lincoln, Neb. (Lincoln High)
45		Arens, Erick	WLB	6-1	205	8/8/76	Fr.	Randolph, Neb.
26		Baker, Rod	IB	6-1	200	10/28/77	Fr.	Hastings, Neb. (Adams Central)
52		Baldwin, Matt	C	6-1	290	11/27/76	Fr.	Arvada, Colo. (Bear Creek)
87		Bassett, Chris	LR	6-0	225	8/24/74	Jr.	Tracy, Minn.
76		Becvarovski, Sasho	OT	6-5	240	11/23/76	Fr.	Crown Point, Ind. (Lake Central)
24	*	Benes, Jason	FS	5-11	185	2/21/75	Jr.	Valparaiso, Neb. (Raymond-Central)
21	***	Benning, Damon	IB	5-11	215	3/2/74	Sr.	Omaha, Neb. (Northwest)
93		Beveridge, Tom	SE	6-0	185	10/01/77	Fr.	Sutherland, Neb.
17	*	Blahak, Chad	LCB	5-9	185	8/20/73	Sr.	Lincoln, Neb. (High)
47		Boellstorff, Blaine	WLB	6-1	215	12/11/77	Fr.	Johnson, Neb. (Johnson-Brock)
20	**	Booker, Michael	LCB	6-2	205	4/27/75	Sr.	Oceanside, Calif. (El Camino)
31		Brouse, Chad	Rov.	6-0	185	5/21/74	Jr.	Lincoln, Neb. (East)
35	*	Brown, Kris	PK	5-10	205	12/23/76	So.	Southlake, Texas (Carroll)
14	*	Brown, Lance	WB	5-11	190	3/24/75	So.	Papillion, Neb. (Papillion-LaVista)
27		Brown, Mike	LCB	6-0	200	2/13/78	Fr.	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Saguaro)
22		Brown II, Ralph	RCB	5-11	180	9/16/78	Fr.	Hacienda Heights, Calif. (Bishop Amat)
36		Buettenback, Ben	MLB	5-11	210	3/7/77	Fr.	Hastings, Neb.
90	**	Carpenter, Tim	TE	6-3	255	11/27/74	Jr.	Columbus, Neb.
6	*	Cheatham, Kenny	SE	6-4	210	8/11/76	So.	Phoenix, Ariz. (South Mountain)
9		Christo, Monte	QB	6-0	195	7/10/76	So.	Kearney, Neb.
68		Clausen, Jeff	OT	6-6	305	1/9/77	Fr.	Dixon, Ill.
42		Cobb, Josh	FB	5-11	230	2/26/76	So.	Wallace, Neb.
85		DeBates, T.J.	TE	6-3	245	5/3/77	Fr.	Stewartville, Minn.
63		Deitloff, Chris	C	6-1	195	9/15/77	Fr.	Omaha, Neb. (Millard North)
2	**	Dennis, Leslie	RCB	5-9	175	3/21/75	Jr.	Bradenton, Fla. (Southeast)
71		Diekmann, Billy	OT	6-4	265	3/19/78	Fr.	Cheney, Neb. (Norris)
75	***	Dishman, Chris	OG	6-3	310	2/27/74	Sr.	Cozad, Neb.
13		Dittrick, George	Rov.	6-1	190	7/20/77	Fr.	Omaha, Neb.
58		Drum, Brandon	DT	6-3	260	9/18/76	Fr.	Columbus, Neb. (Scotus)
68		Dush, Jason	DT	6-1	245	1/2/78	Fr.	Columbus, Neb.
3		Edwards, J.R.	SE	6-2	195	12/7/77	Fr.	Lincoln, Neb. (Southeast)
23		Eicher, Chad	IB	6-3	225	11/23/74	Sr.	Seward, Neb.
4		Evans, DeAngelo	IB	5-9	220	12/13/76	Fr.	Wichita, Kan. (Collegiate)
50		Ferrell, Justin	OG	6-2	280	1/25/78	Fr.	McAllen, Texas (Sharyland)
15		Finister, Demond	WB	6-0	175	10/27/75	Fr.	Boys Town, Neb.
19		Finley, Clint	FS	6-1	195	3/27/77	Fr.	Cuero, Texas
87		Fischer, Craig	SE	6-0	170	10/2/76	Fr.	Leigh, Neb.
11		Fischer, Eric	FS	5-11	170	9/8/77	Fr.	Leigh, Neb.
56	*	Foreman, Jay	MLB	6-1	230	2/18/76	So.	Eden Prairie, Minn.
34		Froehlich, Russell	SLB	6-0	210	6/23/76	So.	Omaha, Neb. (Bellevue East)
7		Frost, Scott	QB	6-3	215	1/4/75	Jr.	Wood River, Neb. (Stanford)
12	*	Fullman, Mike	RCB	5-7	170	8/9/74	Sr.	Roselle, N.J. (Abraham Clark/Rutgers)
74		Fulton, Lonnie	OT	6-5	250	1/11/77	Fr.	Grand Island, Neb. (Grand Island)
40		Gard, Sean	LR	5-11	215	7/9/75	Jr.	Omaha, Neb. (Central)
10		Gentile, Mike	WB	5-10	175	7/26/78	Fr.	Lockport, Ill. (Mount Carmel)
72		Gessford, Ben	OT	6-2	285	8/12/76	So.	Lincoln, Neb. (East)
27		Gibson, John	WB	6-0	185	2/10/77	Fr.	Papillion, Neb. (Papillion-LaVista)
		Gill, Bobby	DT	6-2	255	6/14/78	Fr.	Lincoln, Neb. (Northeast)
30	*	Green, Ahman	IB	6-0	220	2/16/77	So.	Omaha, Neb. (Central)

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Alphabetical Roster (cont.):

9	Guidry, George	RR	6-3	225	9/10/77	Fr.	Lake Charles, La. (Wash.-Marion Magnet)
35	Gumm, Trent	SLB	6-2	225	6/21/75	So.	Columbus, Neb.
80	Haafke, Billy	SE	5-11	190	3/19/75	So.	South Sioux City, Neb.
12	Hadenfeldt, Dan	PK	5-11	180	8/7/76	Fr.	Des Moines, Iowa (Valley)
28	Hamik, Brad	FS	6-0	170	11/15/77	Fr.	Hawarden, Iowa (West Sioux)
53	Havlovic, Aaron	OG	6-3	260	5/7/77	Fr.	Osceola, Neb. (David City Aquinas)
57	Henson, Kyle	OT	6-1	285	9/12/75	So.	Waverly, Neb. (Kentucky)
59 *	Heskew, Josh	C	6-3	280	9/2/75	So.	Yukon, Okla. (Mustang)
44 **	Hesse, Jon	MLB	6-4	250	6/6/73	Sr.	Lincoln, Neb. (Southeast)
55	Hochstein, Russ	LG	6-4	260	10/7/77	Fr.	Hartington, Neb. (Cedar Catholic)
54	Hoffman, Mike	NT	5-9	243	2/28/75	Sr.	Spencer, Neb. (Spencer-Naper)
49 *	Hogrefe, Quint	SLB	5-11	210	8/26/75	So.	Auburn, Neb.
5***	Holbein, Brendan	SE	5-9	195	11/28/73	Sr.	Cozad, Neb.
66	Horst, Joe	RG	6-1	265	3/18/74	Jr.	Wood River, Neb.
62 *	Hoskinson, Matt	RG	6-1	280	1/22/75	Jr.	Battle Creek, Neb.
53	Hunting, Matt	WLB	6-3	220	12/28/74	Jr.	Cozad, Neb.
50	Jackson, Julius	MLB	6-0	225	11/7/76	Fr.	Gainesville, Texas
88 *	Jackson, Sheldon	TE	6-4	250	7/24/76	So.	Diamond Bar, Calif. (Damien)
34 *	Jackson, Vershan	TE	6-0	245	2/27/75	Jr.	Omaha, Neb. (South)
33	Jeffrey, Tom	RCB	5-11	180	1/5/77	Fr.	Lincoln, Neb. (East)
1	Johnson, Eric	WLB	6-0	205	4/30/76	So.	Phoenix, Ariz. (Alhambra)
56	Johnson, Marcus	RG	6-4	285	1/13/77	Fr.	Oceanside, Calif. (Vista)
51	Jones, Dave	LR	6-2	235	11/4/74	So.	Osmond, Neb.
69	Julch, Adam	LT	6-5	310	1/31/77	Fr.	Omaha, Neb. (Burke)
88	Kaiser, Loran	DT	6-5	240	3/22/78	Fr.	Farwell, Neb. (Saint Paul)
57 *	Kelsay, Chad	RR	6-3	235	4/9/77	So.	Auburn, Neb.
22	Kingston, Ben	FB	6-1	230	8/19/76	Fr.	Omaha, Neb. (Westside)
83	Kobus, Chad	TE	6-5	210	4/11/77	Fr.	Columbus, Neb.
47	Kohl, Josh	WLB	6-1	215	1/24/77	Fr.	Hastings, Neb.
19 *	Kosch, Jesse	P	6-0	185	9/20/74	Jr.	Columbus, Neb. (Scotus)
23 *	Lafleur, Bill	P	6-0	205	2/25/76	So.	Norfolk, Neb. (Norfolk Catholic)
89 **	Lake, Jeff	SE	6-4	210	9/6/74	Jr.	Columbus, Neb. (Lakeview)
40 *	Legate, Billy	FB	5-11	220	12/6/75	So.	Elgin, Neb. (Clearwater)
82	Lenners, Curt	RR	6-3	215	8/29/74	Fr.	Filley, Neb.
29	List, Gregg	Rov.	6-0	195	2/8/77	Fr.	Valentine, Neb.
1	London, Frankie	QB	6-0	175	11/24/76	Fr.	Lake Charles, La. (LaGrange)
97	Long, Chace	PK	6-0	195	4/8/78	Fr.	Wahoo, Neb.
41	Macken, Casey	WLB	6-0	220	12/30/75	So.	Cozad, Neb.
6	Makaiwi, Kalin	Rov.	6-0	195	4/19/76	So.	Raymond, Wash.
45 *	Makovicka, Joel	FB	5-11	235	10/6/75	So.	Brainard, Neb. (East Butler)
4 **	McFarlin, Octavious	Rov.	5-11	195	8/10/75	Jr.	Bastrop, Texas
25	McGraw, Greg	FS	6-2	195	4/12/77	Fr.	Millville, N.J.
84	McKee, Jake	TE	6-5	215	7/29/77	Fr.	Brewster, Kan. (Goodland)
78 **	Mikos, Kory	OT	6-5	295	10/15/73	Sr.	Seward, Neb.
96	Milius, Tom	DT	6-3	270	1/24/77	Fr.	Lincoln, Neb. (Pius X)
21	Miller, Andy	LCB	5-9	185	5/17/75	So.	Papillion, Neb. (Papillion-LaVista)
83	Miller, Bryce	RR	6-3	230	11/16/73	Sr.	Elmwood, Neb. (Elmwood-Murdock)
32	Miller, Willie	FB	6-1	240	9/17/78	Fr.	Omaha, Neb. (Bellevue West)
10***	Minter, Mike	Rov.	5-10	190	1/15/74	Sr.	Lawton, Okla.
91	Mooberry, Brandon	LR	6-5	230	11/12/77	Fr.	Lexington, Neb.
8	Morro, Brian	P	5-9	170	12/11/75	So.	Middletown, N.J. (South)
46	Morrow, Mike	WB	5-6	160	7/27/76	Fr.	Menomonie, Wis.
86	Murphy, John	TE	6-3	225	5/31/77	Fr.	Crawford, Neb.
97 **	Ogard, Jeff	DT	6-6	310	9/1/73	Sr.	St. Paul, Neb.
37	Olness, Jason	IB	5-11	200	1/10/77	Fr.	Albion, Neb.
37	Ortiz, Tony	SLB	6-0	210	7/3/77	Fr.	Waterbury, Conn. (Crosby)
8	Perino, Jeff	QB	6-2	210	12/18/76	Fr.	Durango, Colo.
55 **	Peter, Jason	DT	6-5	285	9/13/74	Jr.	Locust, N.J. (Milford Academy)

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No.	Name	Pos.
1	Eric Johnson	WLB
1	Frankie London	QB
2**	Leslie Dennis	RCB
3	J.R. Edwards	SE
3 *	Eric Warfield	FS
4	DeAngelo Evans	IB
4**	Octavious McFarlin	Rov.
5***	Brendan Holbein	SE
6 *	Kenny Cheatham	SE
7	Scott Frost	QB
8	Jeff Perino	QB
9	Monte Christo	QB
10***	Mike Minter	Rov.
11**	Matt Turman	QB
12	Dan Hadenfeldt	P
12*	Mike Fullman	RCB
13*	Ted Retzlaff	PK
14*	Lance Brown	WB
15	Kareem Sears	RR
16***	Eric Stokes	FS
17*	Chad Blahak	RCB
19*	Jesse Kosch	P
20**	Michael Booker	LCB
21***	Damon Benning	IB
22	Ralph Brown	RCB
22	Ben Kingston	FB
23	Chad Eicher	IB
23*	Bill Lafleur	P
24*	Jason Benes	FS
25**	Jon Vedral	WB
26	Jerome Peterson	RCB
27	Mike Brown	LCB
28**	Brian Schuster	FB
28**	Jamel Williams	SLB
29	Gregg List	Rov.
29	Shevin Wiggins	WB
30*	Ahman Green	IB
31*	Jay Sims	IB
32*	Eric Walther	FS
33	Sean Wieting	WB
34*	Vershan Jackson	TE
35*	Kris Brown	PK
36	Ben Buettenback	MLB
37	Jason Olness	IB
37	Tony Ortiz	SLB
39	Mike Roberts	Rov.
38	Brendan Zahl	LR
40*	Billy Legate	FB
41	Casey Macken	WLB
42	Josh Cobb	FB
44**	Jon Hesse	MLB
45*	Joel Makovicka	FB

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46	Brian Shaw	SLB	26	Peterson, Jerome	RCB	5-7	185	4/28/76	Fr.	Port Allen, La.
47	Josh Kohl	WLB	38	Piening, Hank	IB	6-2	195	11/19/77	Fr.	Lincoln, Neb. (Milford)
48*	David Alderman	LCB	42	Polk, Carlos	MLB	6-3	225	2/22/77	Fr.	Rockford, Ill. (Guilford)
49*	Quint Hogrefe	WLB	73 **	Pollack, Fred	OT	6-4	310	12/27/74	Jr.	Omaha, Neb. (Creighton Prep)
50	Julius Jackson	MLB	7	Quindt, Brandon	DB	6-0	205	10/1/77	Fr.	Scottsbluff, Neb.
51**	Matt Vrzal	C	24	Raymond, Steve	IB	6-0	205	4/3/76	Fr.	Gering, Neb.
52	Matt Baldwin	C	13 *	Retzlaff, Ted	PK	5-11	185	4/15/75	Jr.	Waverly, Neb.
53	Matt Hunting	WLB	2	Reynolds, Khari	WB	5-10	175	5/19/78	Fr.	Mays Landing, N.J. (Egg Harbor Township)
54	Aaron Haylovic	C	39 *	Roberts, Mike	Rov.	6-1	185	9/19/72	Sr.	Omaha, Neb. (Central)
55**	Jason Peter	DT	86	Roy, Dorrick	TE	6-3	240	4/2/75	So.	Inglewood, Calif. (Montclair Prep)
56*	Jay Foreman	MLB	84 *	Rucker, Mike	LR	6-6	250	2/28/75	So.	St. Joseph, Mo. (Benton)
56	Marcus Johnson	OG	5	Runty, Jay	QB	6-0	180	9/13/77	Fr.	Elkhorn, Neb.
57	Kyle Henson	OT	80	Ryan, Eric	RR	6-1	220	6/22/76	Fr.	Overton, Neb.
57*	Chad Kelsay	RR	73	Saalfeld, Chris	OT	6-2	250	11/14/77	Fr.	North Bend, Neb.
58	Brandon Drum	DT	74 **	Saltsman, Scott	DT	6-2	270	10/22/73	Sr.	Wichita Falls, Texas (Rider)
59*	Josh Heske	C	41	Schoening, Matt	FB	5-9	205	8/21/78	Fr.	Council Bluffs, Iowa (Lewis Central)
61*	Brandt Wade	OG	28 **	Schuster, Brian	FB	5-11	230	9/19/73	Sr.	Fullerton, Neb.
62*	Matt Hoskinson	RG	65	Schwab, Jason	OG	6-1	295	5/12/77	Fr.	Eagan, Minn. (Cretin-Derham Hall)
63	James Sherman	OG	54	Seaman, Doug	C	6-1	280	5/8/75	Jr.	Bellevue, Neb. (Bellevue East)
64**	Jon Zatechka	RG	15	Sears, Kareem	RR	6-2	245	12/17/76	Fr.	Enid, Okla.
66	Joe Horst	RB	46	Shaw, Brian	SLB	6-0	215	10/11/76	Fr.	Deweese, Neb. (Sandy Creek)
67**	Aaron Taylor	C	63	Sherman, James	OG	6-2	300	10/23/77	Fr.	LaVerne, Calif. (Whittier)
68	Jeff Clausen	OT	67	Siebenborn, Scott	DT	6-4	215	3/19/78	Fr.	Columbus, Neb. (High)
69	Adam Julch	LT	31 *	Sims, Jay	IB	6-1	220	11/3/71	Jr.	Omaha, Neb. (Omaha Central/ West Memphis, Ark.)
70**	Eric Anderson	OT	39	Soucie, Travis	IB	5-11	190	11/30/77	Fr.	Hastings, Neb. (St. Cecilia)
71*	Mike Van Cleave	OG	43	Stanislav, Jeremy	FB	6-1	195	10/27/77	Fr.	Prague, Neb.
72	Ben Gessford	OT	16***	Stokes, Eric	FS	5-11	195	12/18/73	Sr.	Lincoln, Neb. (East)
73*	Fred Pollack	OT	62	Tansey, Jim	OT	6-2	290	5/25/77	Fr.	Cranford, N.J.
74**	Scott Saltsman	DT	67 **	Taylor, Aaron	C	6-1	305	1/21/75	Jr.	Wichita Falls, Texas (Rider)
75***	Chris Dishman	OG	91***	Terwilliger, Ryan	WLB	6-5	225	5/31/73	Sr.	Grant, Neb.
76	Tom Milius	DT	79	Tessendorf, Ross	DT	6-0	275	12/22/75	So.	Columbus, Neb. (Lakeview)
77**	Adam Treu	OT	92 *	Toline, Travis	LR	6-3	235	11/12/75	So.	Wahoo, Neb.
78**	Kory Mikos	OT	93 **	Tomich, Jared	LR	6-2	260	4/24/74	Sr.	St. John, Ind. (Lake Central)
80	Billy Haafke	SE	77 **	Treu, Adam	OT	6-6	305	6/24/74	Sr.	Lincoln, Neb. (Pius X)
81	Aaron Wills	TE	66	Troxel, Theron	DT	6-4	265	12/5/76	Fr.	Coleridge, Neb.
82	Sean Applegate	WB	11 **	Turman, Matt	QB	5-11	185	12/13/73	Sr.	Wahoo, Neb. (Neumann)
83	Bryce Miller	LR	48	Tuttle, Chad	MLB	6-0	210	6/11/77	Fr.	Wahoo, Neb. (Omaha North)
84*	Mike Rucker	LR	59	Urban, Noland	WLB	6-1	225	2/25/78	Fr.	Osceola, Neb. (Stromsburg High)
85	T.J. DeBates	TE	71 *	Van Cleave, Mike	OG	6-2	295	4/20/74	Jr.	Huffman, Texas (Hargrave)
86	Dorrick Roy	TE	40	Vanderhoef, Casey	WB	6-0	200	12/8/77	Fr.	Alpine, Utah
87	Chris Bassett	LR	25 **	Vedral, Jon	WB	5-11	205	4/9/74	Sr.	Gregory, S.D.
88*	Sheldon Jackson	TE	51 **	Vrzal, Matt	OG	6-1	300	7/12/74	Sr.	Grand Island, Neb.
89**	Jeff Lake	SE	61 *	Wade, Brandt	OG	6-2	300	9/30/75	So.	Springfield, Neb. (Platteview)
90**	Tim Carpenter	TE	92	Walters, Brian	LR	6-3	235	3/13/77	Fr.	West Point, Neb.
91***	Ryan Terwilliger	WLB	32 *	Walther, Eric	FS	6-0	170	11/6/75	So.	Juniata, Neb. (Hastings Adams Cent.)
92*	Travis Toline	LR	90	Wardyn, Brandon	RR	6-3	220	9/29/77	Fr.	Farwell, Neb. (St. Paul)
93**	Jared Tomich	RR	3 *	Warfield, Eric	FS	6-0	195	3/3/76	Jr.	Texarkana, Ark. (Arkansas)
94	Travis Antholz	RR	85	Warren, Steve	DT	6-3	290	1/22/78	Fr.	Springfield, Mo. (Kickapoo)
95	Derek Allen	DT	36	Watchorn, Troy	RCB	5-9	190	1/1/78	Fr.	Columbus, Neb. (High)
96	Steve Warren	DT	58	Webber, David	C	6-3	285	9/17/77	Fr.	St. Louis, Mo. (Hazelwood East)
97**	Jeff Ogard	DT	27	Wells, Jeff	FS	6-1	205	3/9/77	Fr.	Lincoln, Neb. (Northeast)
98**	Grant Wistrom	LR	33	Wieting, Sean	WB	5-9	190	6/19/75	Jr.	Tulatin, Ore. (Tigard)
99	Jason Wiltz	DT	29	Wiggins, Shevin	WB	5-11	190	9/27/74	So.	Palmetto, Fla. (Manatee)
			8	Wiles, Chad	QB	6-1	185	5/15/78	Fr.	Wood River, Neb.
			28 **	Williams, Jamel	SLB	6-2	210	11/23/76	Sr.	Merrillville, Ind.
			81	Wills, Aaron	TE	6-2	250	10/24/76	Fr.	Omaha, Neb. (Burke)
			99	Wiltz, Jason	DT	6-3	285	11/23/76	So.	New Orleans, La. (St. Augustine)
			32	Winston, Terry	RCB	5-9	175	10/5/78	Fr.	Los Angeles, Calif. (Verbum Dei)
			98 **	Wistrom, Grant	RR	6-5	250	7/3/76	Jr.	Webb City, Mo.
			38	Zahl, Brendan	LR	6-3	235	6/17/75	Jr.	Stratton, Neb.
			64 **	Zatechka, Jon	RG	6-2	290	6/10/75	Jr.	Lincoln, Neb. (East)

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#93 Jared Tomich

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St. John, Ind. (Lake Central)



- ◆ Lombardi Award Finalist
- ◆ First-Team All-American (Walter Camp)
- ◆ Second-Team All-American (AP)
- ◆ Bronko Nagurski Defensive Player-of-the-Year Midseason Leader
- ◆ CFA Good Works Team
- ◆ Two-Time First-Team All-Conference (1995, 1996)

Tomich has been a vital contributor to the defense this season. His stats reflect the fact that he has constantly been double and triple teamed. The two-time All-American has recorded 41 tackles, 10 tackles for 40 yards in losses and five sacks for 26 yards. He's caused a team-leading four fumbles and recovered one. He leads the team with 23 quarterback hurries causing incomplete passes. Tomich had six stops against Oklahoma, including three for losses, two sacks and four quarterback hurries. Against Missouri, Tomich had an excellent game, and in little more than two quarters of action, helped limit Mizzou to 47 yards rushing and 170 overall. In the game, Tomich caused two big fumbles to go with his four tackles and two quarterback hurries. The first fumble caused was a near-sack which resulted in five yards lost and a punt on the next play in the first quarter. The second resulted in a 22-yard rushing loss for the Tigers as Tomich tried, in vain, to scoop up the ball and run it into the end zone. Missouri recovered but punted from its end zone and NU scored one play later to take a 30-0 lead early in the third quarter. Both times, Tomich knocked the ball out of the Missouri quarterback's hands, while still in an upright position, and thus was not credited with tackles or the yardage lost. Missouri Coach Larry Smith said, "Those two, (Grant) Wistrom and (Jared) Tomich are both All-Americans, as far as I'm concerned. They are as good as there is in the country." Tomich and company followed the Missouri game with an excellent stand against the nation's No. 1 rusher in Troy Davis. Davis and Iowa State, had 138 yards on the day, but just 20-83 after three quarters before reserves entered the game. Against No. 5 Colorado, Tomich had five tackles, one for a loss, to limit the Buffaloes' potent offense to just 51 yards rushing and 277 overall. A first-team AP All-American in 1995, Tomich earned All-America honors by Walter Camp, was a finalist for the Lombardi award and was named a semifinalist for the Bronko Nagurski award. The former walk-on from St. John, Ind., has 26 tackles for loss in his career, including 16 sacks. Opponents forced to go around the right end are met face to face with All-America candidate Grant Wistrom, who had nine and a half sacks on the year. Rush ends Coach Tony Samuel said, "Tomich and Wistrom are the best pair of rush ends ever to play at Nebraska." In 1995, Tomich earned first-team All-America honors by the Associated Press, leading the Huskers to a second national championship. He led the team in sacks with 10, yards lost with 79, fumbles caused and recovered (3-2, respectively), and in quarterback hurries with 24. In the 1996 Fiesta Bowl, Tomich had three tackles, a sack and two quarterback hurries. In 1994, Tomich alternated with Dwayne Harris at left outside linebacker and had 23 tackles, including 4-15 yards lost. He redshirted in 1993. Engaged to Lisa Walczak, Tomich graduated on Dec. 21, with a degree in communications. Extremely active in the community, especially with children, Tomich was named to the CFA Good Works Team. Tomich will play in the East-West game on Jan. 11. For more on Tomich, see pages 96-97 in the 1996 NU Media Guide.

Jared Tomich's Career Game-by-Game

1994

Defense	(Tackles)					Fum.		QB Int.			
Year	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	Csd.-Rec.	BK	PBU	PI	Hry.	Csd.
West. Vir.	3	2	5	1-7	1-7	0-0	0	0	0	0	0-0
Texas Tech	2	0	2	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-0
UCLA	2	1	3	2-5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-0
Pacific	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-0
Wyoming	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-0
Oklahoma St.	2	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-1
Kansas St.	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-0
Missouri	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-0
Colorado	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-0
Kansas	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0-0
Iowa St.	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0-0
Oklahoma	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-0
Totals	12	11	23	4-15	1-7	0-0	0	0	0	0	12-1

1995 Orange Bowl vs. Miami

0 1 1 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 0 0

1995

Defense	(Tackles)					Fum.		QB Int.			
Year	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	Csd.-Rec.	BK	PBU	PI	Hry.	Csd.
Okl. St.*	3	1	4	2-22	2-22	0-0	0	2	0	0	1-0
Mich. St.*	1	1	2	1-6	1-6	1-1	0	0	0	0	2-0
Arizona St.*	2	0	2	2-6	1-4	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-0
Pacific*	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0-0
Wash. St.*	3	2	5	1-2	0-0	1-0	0	0	0	0	3-0
Missouri*	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0	0	0-0
Kansas St.*	3	0	3	2-21	2-21	0-0	0	0	0	0	3-0
Colorado*	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3-0
Iowa St.	1	0	1	1-4	1-4	0-0	0	0	0	0	0-0
Kansas*	3	0	3	1-3	1-3	0-0	0	0	0	0	5-1
Oklahoma*	2	4	6	2-15	2-15	1-0	0	1	0	0	5-0
Totals	18	9	27	12-79	10-75	3-2	0	3	0	0	24-1

1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida*

1 2 3 1-4 1-4 0-0 0 0 0 0 2-0

1996

Defense	(Tackles)					Fum.		QB Int.			
Year	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	Csd.-Rec.	BK	PBU	PI	Hry.	Csd.
Mich. St.*	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-0
Ariz. St.*	1	5	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-0
Colo. St.*	1	2	3	1-7	1-7	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-0
Kansas St.*	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0-0
Baylor*	0	2	2	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-0
Texas Tech*	1	5	6	1-6	1-6	1-0	0	0	0	0	3-0
Kansas*	1	2	3	1-7	1-7	1-1	0	0	0	0	0-0
Oklahoma*	3	3	6	3-10	2-6	0-0	0	0	0	0	4-0
Missouri*	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	2-0	0	0	0	0	2-0
Iowa St.*	1	2	3	1-4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-0
Colorado*	2	3	5	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3-0
Texas*	1	0	1	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3-1
Totals	16	25	41	10-40	5-26	4-1	0	0	0	0	23-1

Tomich's Career Statistics

Defense	(Tackles)					Fum.		QB Int.			
Year	G/S	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	C-RBK	PBU	PI	Hry.	Csd.
1993--Redshirted											
1994	12/0	12	11	23	4-15	1-7	0-0	0	0	0	12 1
1995	11/10	18	9	27	12-79	10-75	3-2	0	3	0	24 1
1996	12/12	16	25	41	10-40	5-26	4-1	0	0	0	23 1
Totals	35/22	46	45	91	26-134	16-108	7-3	0	3	0	59 3

1995 Orange Bowl vs. Miami: Tackles 0 UT, 1 AT, 1 TT;

1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida: Tackles 1 UT, 2 AT, 3 TT; TFL 1-4; Sacks 1-4; QB Hurries 2, * indicates starts

Tomich, Wistrom--Bookend All-Americans

#98 Grant Wistrom

Right Rush End

6-5, 250, Jr.

Letters: Two

Webb City, Mo.



- ◆ First-Team GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-American
- ◆ CFA Scholar-Athlete
- ◆ Two-Time GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-District VII (1995, 1996)
- ◆ First-Team All-American (AP, Football Writers, AFCA Coaches, Sporting News, Football News)
- ◆ TD Club of Columbus College Defensive Lineman-of-the-Year
- ◆ Bronko Nagurski Defensive Player-of-the-Year Finalist
- ◆ Football News Defensive Player-of-the-Year Finalist
- ◆ Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Year (AP, Coaches)
- ◆ Two-Time First-Team All-Conference (1995, 1996)
- ◆ Nebraska Nominee for Big 12 Defensive-Player-of-the-Week (vs. Colorado State, Baylor, Kansas, Colorado)
- ◆ Big 12 Player-of-the-Week (vs. Colorado)

Wistrom is the other half of the best pair of rush ends Nebraska has ever put on the field. A first-team All-American, the Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Year and national defensive player-of-the-year finalist, Wistrom has been enjoying the spoils of teaming with Tomich and finished third in tackles with 75. He led the team in sacks (9.5-48 yards lost) and tackles for loss (20-74). He also has 15 quarterback hurries--four times causing the signal caller to throw interceptions. He recorded his first career interception against Michigan State, returning it nine yards for a TD. Against Arizona State, he had two sacks and recorded seven tackles. He was NU's nominee for Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Week, recording one sack and tying the school record when he blocked two kicks from the line of scrimmage against Colorado State (a field goal and an extra-point attempt). He was also NU's nominee against Baylor (five tackles in the shutout, two solo and one tackle for loss, one sack) and against Kansas (team's leading tackler with nine stops, a four-yard sack, one-yard tackle for loss). Wistrom and Tomich held the Jayhawks to a season-low 21 net rushing yards, and with outside pressure, caused two interceptions. After the loss, Kansas Coach Glen Mason said, "Nebraska is as good a defensive team as I've seen in college football. I thought that coming in, and I sure think that coming out. Every yard was awfully tough." Wistrom led the team in tackles against his homestate Missouri with seven, including two for losses, in little more than two quarters as the Huskers held their sixth opponent of the season to 80 yards or less. Missouri totaled just 47 rushing yards and 170 in total offense. He had a career-best day against No. 5 Colorado, claiming Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Week honors as well as the ABC/Chevrolet Player-of-the-Game award by leading the Huskers with 15 tackles, three tackles for loss, including two sacks and four quarterback hurries, causing incomplete passes. He had four tackles against Texas, including a tackle for loss and an interception caused. A non-redshirt junior, Wistrom has 155 career tackles, 41.5 tackles for 184 yards lost, and 18 sacks. Just a junior, Wistrom needs just 3.5 more tackles for loss to break 1993 Husker All-American Trev Alberts' (Indianapolis Colts) career record of 45. Wistrom was the 1994 Defensive Newcomer-of-the-Year as a true freshman with 36 tackles and five sacks. He followed that with an all-conference season last year when he recorded 44 tackles, 15 for losses and earned third-team All-America honors. A first-team GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-American, Wistrom boasts a 3.488 GPA in pre-pharmacy. For more on Wistrom, see pages 104-105 in NU Guide.

Grant Wistrom's Career Game-by-Game

1994

Defense	(-----Tackles-----)					Fum.	QB Int.				
Year	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	Csd.-Rec.	BK	PBU	PI	Hrv.	Csd.
West Vir.	2	1	3	32.5-201	5-17	0-0	0	0	0	2-0	
Texas Tech	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	1-0
UCLA	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	
Pacific	3	2	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	1-0
Wyoming	0	3	3	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	2-0
Oklahoma St.	0	3	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	1-0
Kansas St.	2	1	3	2-24	2-24	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	1-0
Missouri	3	2	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0
Colorado	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	1-0
Kansas	2	4	6	1-8	1-8	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	1-0
Iowa St.	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	1-0
Oklahoma	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0
Totals	14	22	36	5-55	4-49	0-0	0	0	0	11-0	

1995 Orange Bowl vs. Miami

2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2-0
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1995

Defense	(-----Tackles-----)					Fum.	QB Int.				
Year	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	Csd.-Rec.	BK	PBU	PI	Hrv.	Csd.
Okla. St.*	0	3	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	
Mich. St.*	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	
Arizona St.*	1	2	3	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	1-0
Pacific*	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	
Wash. St.*	3	2	5	4-16	1-8	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	1-0
Missouri*	1	2	3	2-6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	1-0
Kansas St.*	5	1	6	4-13	2-10	0-0	0	0	0	3-1	
Colorado*	3	1	4	1-5	1-5	0-0	0	0	0	4-0	
Iowa St.*	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	1-0
Kansas*	1	5	6	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	1-0
Oklahoma*	4	2	6	2-13	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1-0	
Totals	21	23	44	15-55	4-23	0-0	0	0	0	13-1	

1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida*

3	2	5	1-9	1-9	0-0	0	0	0	2-0
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1996

Defense	(-----Tackles-----)					Fum.	QB Int.				
Year	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	Csd.-Rec.	BK	PBU	PI	Hrv.	Csd.
Mich. St.*	2	3	5	1-6	1-6	0-0	0	0	1+	2-1	
Ariz. St.*	3	2	5	2-8	2-8	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	1-0
Colo. St.*	2	5	7	1-6	1-6	0-0	2	0	0	0-0	
Kansas St.*	1	1	2	1-11	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2-0	
Baylor*	2	3	5	1-2	0.5-2	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	1-0
Texas Tech*	5	2	7	4-10	2-8	1-0	0	0	0	0-0	
Kansas*	3	6	9	2-5	1-4	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	1-0
Oklahoma*	3	3	6	2-6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	1-1
Missouri*	1	6	7	2-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	1-0
Iowa St.*	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2-1	
Colorado*	4	11	15	3-15	2-14	0-0	0	0	0	3-0	
Texas*	3	1	4	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1-1	
Totals	30	45	75	20-74	9.5-48	1-0	2#	0	1+	15-4	

Interceptions: +9-yard TD, * indicates starts

Blocked Kicks: Two (one field goal, one PAT) vs. Colorado State, 1996

Wistrom's Career Stats

Defense	(-----Tackles-----)					Fum.	QB Int.				
Year	G/S	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	C-RBK	PBU	PI	Hrv.	Csd.
1994	12/0	14	22	36	6.5-55	4.5-49	0-0	0	0	0	11-0
1995	11/11	21	23	44	15-55	4-23	0-0	0	0	0	13-1
1996	12/12	30	45	75	20-74	9.5-48	1-0	2#	0	1+	15-4
Totals	35/23	65	90	155	41.5-184	18-120	1-0	2#	0	1+	39-5

Interceptions: +1-9 yard TD vs. Michigan State, 1996

Blocked Kicks: #Two (one field goal, one PAT) vs. Colorado St., 1996

Taylor Earns First-Team All-America Honors

Dishman and Taylor Named to Outland Trophy Semifinal List

#67 Aaron Taylor

Center

6-1, 305, Jr.

Letters: Two

Wichita Falls, Texas (Rider)



- ◆ First-Team All-American (Walter Camp, Football News, FWA)
- ◆ Second-Team All-American (Sporting News, AP)
- ◆ Lombardi Award Semifinalist
- ◆ Outland Trophy Award Semifinalist
- ◆ Two-Time First-Team All-Conference (1995, 1996)

Taylor, a first-team All-American, sacrificed personal goals to make the move from left guard to center in 1996. His explosive talent is well-known, and before having snapped a single ball from center, was named a preseason All-America center by three publications. Taylor has started every game at center, but also plays one of every four series at left or right guard, depending on who needs a rest (approximately 10 plays each game). He has done that since game three. While most of the linemen are getting three series of rest, he is only taking one. He and the other linemen have only allowed 10 sacks on the season and rank fourth nationally in scoring, fifth in rushing and 25th in total offense. Taylor had a career-high 17 pancakes three times in 1995, and against Texas in 1996. He also had double-figure "pancakes" (knock-down blocks) against Baylor (10), when NU rushed for a season-best 491 yards, K-State (13), Oklahoma (11) and ISU (15) for a team-best season total of 113 (9.4 per game). An Outland semifinalist, Taylor earned first-team All-America honors by Football News, Football Writers and Walter Camp and was an all-conference first-team pick for the second consecutive year. Taylor moved into a starting role in 1995, taking over for departed senior Joel Wilks at left guard. Taylor was the Huskers' "pancake" (knock-down blocks) leader with 128 on the season, including a career-best and team-best 17, three times. He averaged 11.64 per game and had double-figure knockdowns six times. Taylor and three other first-time starters on the O-Line, helped the Huskers average 60 yards more per game than Nebraska's nation-leading 340 of 1994. He also aided NU to a No. 2 national ranking in total offense (556.3) and a Big Eight and school-record 52.4 points per game, a mark which had stood in the books since 1983. Taylor was a third-team All-American by Football News and earned first-team All-Big Eight honors. As a redshirted freshman in 1994, Taylor played in every game and was a member of NU's PAT and field goal units. Taylor served as a reserve at left guard and became a permanent member of the 60-man NU travel roster when Steve Ott broke his foot. Taylor helped the Huskers rank in the top 10 nationally in rushing, total offense and scoring and aided the Huskers to the NCAA rushing title as NU averaged 340.0 yards per outing. Taylor was a first-team all-state offensive lineman at Rider High School in Wichita Falls and played fullback, nose guard and punter. He was a teammate of NU defensive tackle Scott Saltsman at Rider. For more information on Aaron Taylor, please see page 103 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

Aaron Taylor's Career Data

Games Played/Started--37/24 (includes bowl games)
 1995 "Pancakes" (Knock-down blocks)--128 (11.64 Average)
 1996 "Pancakes"--113 (9.4 Average)
 "Pancake" Best--17 vs. MSU, ASU and OU, 1995; vs. Texas, 1996

75 Chris Dishman

Left Offensive Tackle

6-3, 310, Sr.

Letters: Three

Cozad, Neb.



- ◆ Outland Trophy Award Semifinalist
- ◆ Two-Time First-Team All-Conference (1995, 1996)
- ◆ Second-Team All-American (AP)
- ◆ Nebraska's Nominee for Big 12 Offensive Player-of-the-Week (vs. TTU)

Dishman also made a move this spring when Taylor moved to center, Dishman moved from left tackle to left guard. He earned second-team All-America honors by the Associated Press, was an Outland Trophy semifinalist and earned first-team all-conference honors two consecutive years. While it took the Huskers a couple of games to get on track in 1996, with just one lineman starting at the same position as last year (Eric Anderson), the line clicked against Colorado State, racking up 476 yards on the ground and 628 total. NU totaled a team-best 491 against Baylor and averaged 291.9 to rank fourth nationally. A two-time all-conference first-teamer, Dishman has also played some tackle this year, when Taylor moves to guard. With quick feet, Dishman is a good pass blocker as well. He had a team-high and career-best 14 "pancakes" against KU and was second on the team (behind Taylor) with 109 in 12 games (9.1 'cakes per game). Dishman was Nebraska's nominee for Big 12 Offensive Player-of-the-Week against Texas Tech. Grading out to a near-perfect 1.96 (on a 2.0 scale), Dishman recorded 13 "pancakes." In 1995, Dishman, and fellow new starters Steve Ott, Aaron Taylor and Eric Anderson, joined veteran Aaron Graham and responded by averaging a nation-best 399.8 yards per game on the ground, 60 yards more than the 1994 line, which featured three players who are starting in the NFL. Dishman took over at left tackle for departed senior Rob Zatechka, started every game and averaged 4.27 "pancakes" (knock-down blocks) per game with a season-best six, three times (vs. Kansas State, Colorado and Oklahoma). Dishman and company didn't allow a single sack all year and were only called for six penalties, an amazing feat for a young line. His strength was recognized by the league coaches, which named him to the All-Big Eight first team. He was also an honorable-mention All-American by UPI and a second-team all-conference pick by the Associated Press. Dishman and his fellow linemen set an NCAA bowl rushing record against Florida in the Fiesta Bowl with 524 yards as the O-line led the Huskers to a second national championship. Dishman saw considerable playing time in 1994, playing behind Rob Zatechka and Brady Caskey. He played in every game, including the 1995 Orange Bowl vs. Miami. He played in eight games as a redshirt freshman, but did not play in the bowl game vs. Florida State. Hailing from the same high school and class as junior split end Brendan Holbein of Cozad, Neb., Dishman redshirted in 1992. Dishman is one of four Huskers who will play in the Senior Bowl on Jan. 18 (also Jared Tomich, Mike Minter and Jamel Williams). For more information on Dishman, please see page 102 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

Chris Dishman's Career Data

Games Played/Started--45/24 (includes bowl games)
 1995 "Pancakes" (Knock-down blocks)--47 (4.27 Average)
 1996 "Pancakes"--109 (9.4 Average)
 "Pancake" Best--14 vs. Kansas, 1996

#70 Eric Anderson

Right Offensive Tackle

6-4, 305, Jr.

Letters: Two

Lincoln, Neb.

(Southeast)



◆ Two-Time Second-Team All-Big 12 (1995, 1996)

Anderson is one of three returning starters on the offensive line, but the only one starting at the same position as assigned in 1995. Anderson has started every game the last two years, manning right tackle, and has helped NU rank in the top five in scoring and rushing both years. Anderson had a career-high and team-best 15 "pancakes" against nationally ranked Kansas State. He has had double-figure "pancakes" in three games, including K-State, Kansas (10) and Oklahoma (12). He had 91 on the year and averaged 7.5 per game this season. Anderson earned first-team All-Big Eight honors in 1995 and second-team in 1996. In 1995, Anderson started all 11 games at right tackle and had an outstanding season, earning first-team all-conference honors by the league coaches and honorable-mention All-Big Eight status by the Associated Press. He struggled with an ankle injury the last half of the season, spraining his left ankle in the Iowa State game (Nov. 4). Anderson still averaged 6.82 "pancakes" (knock-down blocks) with a career-best 10, three times, vs. Michigan State, Arizona State and Colorado. Anderson graded out for a perfect 2.0 on a 2.0 scale against Michigan State, which has only happened a handful of times in the last 10 years under offensive line coach Milt Tenopir. He was nominated as Nebraska's offensive player-of-the-week for the conference award, as the team rushed for 552 yards and six TDs. In 1994, Anderson missed most of spring camp with a stress fracture in his ankle. He played in every game, including the 1995 Orange Bowl as a backup to Zach Wiegert and Brady Caskey. A scholarship athlete, Anderson redshirted his first year at Nebraska. Along with Jon Zatechka and Adam Treu, he is one of three starters on the O-line who hail from Lincoln. For more on Anderson, see page 106 of the 1996 NU Football Media Guide.

Eric Anderson's Career Data

Games Played/Started--37/24 (includes bowl games)

1995 "Pancakes" (Knock-down blocks)--75 (6.82 Average)

1996 "Pancakes"--91 (7.5 Average)

"Pancake" Best--15 vs. Kansas State, 1996

#77 Adam Treu

Left Offensive Tackle

6-6, 305, Sr.

Letters: Two

Lincoln, Neb. (Pius X)



Adam Treu (pronounced TRUE) is one of three starters on the offensive line who call Lincoln home, and one of six starters on the 1996 Husker team who were walk-ons when they first came to NU. Treu redshirted his first year in 1992, played in two games in 1993, played in five more in 1994, then continued working out in the weight room and earned his chance to play. After seeing extensive action in 1995 as the sixth man, Treu took over at left tackle for Chris Dishman (Dishman moved to left guard and Taylor moved to center). He also took over the deep snapping duties for departed center Aaron Taylor this season. The biggest man on the team,

at 6-6, 305, Treu is an imposing figure on the field. He totaled 94 "pancakes" this season, averaging 7.8 per game, with a career-best 13 vs. Kansas State. He also had 10 vs. Oklahoma and 11 vs. Texas. Treu attended Lincoln Pius X High School. He is one of nine Huskers playing in the Orange Bowl with a sheepskin in hand, as he graduated in December with a degree in English. Treu will represent the Huskers playing in the East-West game on Jan. 11. For more on Treu, see page 140 of the 1996 NU Football Media Guide.

Adam Treu's Career Data

Games Played/Started--31/12 (includes bowl games)

1996 "Pancakes"--94 (7.8 Average)

"Pancake" Best--13 vs. Kansas State, 1996

#64 Jon Zatechka

Right Offensive Guard

6-2, 290, Jr.

Letters: Two

Lincoln, Neb. (East)



◆ GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-District VII

Jon Zatechka (pronounced ZAD-ess-kuh) is one of two first-year starters on the O-line this season. He started every game, but saw limited action against Texas Tech when he suffered a sprained ankle in the first quarter. He had double-figure pancakes against Baylor and Colorado, with a career-best 15 'cakes vs. Baylor. He totaled 90 on the year (7.5 per game). Zatechka backed up senior starter Steve Ott in 1995, playing in every game. He played in four games in 1994, after redshirting in 1993. With a 3.612 GPA in fisheries and wildlife, Zatechka was named to the 1996 GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-District VII team. For more on Jon Zatechka, please see page 144 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

Jon Zatechka's Career Data

Games Played/Started--28/12 (includes bowl games)

1996 "Pancakes"--90 (7.5 Average)

"Pancake" Best--15 vs. Baylor, 1996

*The 1996
Husker O-Line of
(#34 tight end
Vershon Jackson),
#70 Eric Anderson,
#64 Jon Zatechka,
#67 Aaron Taylor,
#75 Chris Dishman,
#77 Adam Treu
(and tight end
#88 Sheldon
Jackson).*

1996 O-Line Totals
per Game:
291.9 rushing
130.5 passing
422.42 total offense
42.7 points
10 sacks allowed
Eight penalties



Husker I-backs Lead Nebraska to No. 4

#30 Ahman Green

I-back

6-0, 215, So.

Letters: One

Omaha, Neb. (Central)



- ◆ Third-Team All-Big 12 (AP, Coaches)
- ◆ Nebraska Big 12 Nominee for Offensive Player-of-the-Week (vs. Missouri)

After rushing for 1,086 yards as a true freshman, Green was ready for a Heisman-type sophomore season. A nagging turf toe injury, which severely limited him in four games, and now a stress fracture in the same left foot of the second metatarsal, has put a damper on the 1995 Big Eight Newcomer-of-the-Year and honorable-mention All-American. He's started all 10 games in which he has played in 1996, and began the season rushing for 71 vs. Michigan State and 87 vs. Arizona State. He picked up the pace against the Rams, rushing for 163 yards against Colorado State and added three catches for 19 yards. He left the K-State game early with a turf toe, but not before he rushed 14 times for 66 yards and a TD against the nationally ranked Wildcats. He sat out the Baylor game, then played with a painful turf toe in the next three games. Despite the injury, he still totaled 76 yards on 19 carries against a Texas Tech defense that ranked seventh in the nation against the rush. Green did so in little more than two quarters and he earned yards after contact on eight of his carries. Green did not play in the fourth quarter because of the injury. On Nebraska's third-quarter seven-play, 41-yard drive, on which Scott Frost scored a rushing TD, Green had three carries for 35 of the 41 yards and averaged 4.0 per carry (more than Heisman candidate TTU's Byron Hanspard's 3.5 ypc) and had a long run of 19 yards. Against Kansas, Green was the game's leading rusher, with 12 carries for 65 yards including an 11-yard TD run before leaving the game on the first series of the second quarter with a recurrence of turf toe. He saw even less action on the natural grass at Oklahoma, rushing nine times for five yards, but did record a four-yard TD. Against Missouri, Green's toe was much improved. In less than two quarters of action, Green rushed 12 times for 161 yards (13.4 ypc) and one TD and was Nebraska's nominee for Big 12 Offensive Player-of-the-Week. The yards included season-long runs of 56 (TD on first play from scrimmage on NU's first drive of third quarter, which gave the Huskers a 30-0 lead) and 70 yards (team best this season). Green followed that with a career-best performance against Iowa State in Ames. On 29 carries, Green rushed for 214 yards, including a four-yard TD run. Green averaged 7.4 yards per carry compared to Iowa State's Troy Davis, who rushed 34 times for 138 yards (4.1 ypc) and no TDs on the day. Green started against No. 5 Colorado, despite a sore left foot. He had injured it in practice on Wednesday before the Friday contest and seemed fine, but it began hurting him late Thursday. He only played on the first series and had three carries for nine yards. Followup X-rays on the following Monday showed a stress fracture to the second metatarsal. He has been out of action since, but is not counted out of the bowl game at this juncture. The nine yards against the Buffaloes was enough to put him over 2,000 in his career (ranks 17th at NU). Green has 296 carries in his two-year career for 2,003 yards. He is the 17th Husker to rush for more than 2,000 in his career. Only five Huskers have ever accomplished back-to-back 1,000 yard rushing seasons (Jarvis Redwine, 1979-80; Mike Rozier, 1982-83; Doug DuBose, 1984-85; Ken Clark, 1988-89; and Calvin Jones, 1992-93). With the injury, Green finished 83 yards short of becoming one of just six Huskers to rush for back-to-back 1,000 yard seasons, the first since Calvin Jones. He would have been the first to do so as a frosh/sophomore. Green had 917 yards on 155 carries this

Nebraska's 2,000 Yard Career Rushers

Player (Years)	Att.	Yards	Avg.	TDs
1. Mike Rozier, IB (81-83)	668	4,780	7.16	49
2. Calvin Jones, IB (91-93)	461	3,153	6.84	40
3. Ken Clark, IB (87-89)	494	3,037	6.15	29
4. I.M. Hipp, IB (77-79)	495	2,814	5.68	21
5. Lawrence Phillips, IB (93-95)	449	2,777	6.18	30
6. Derek Brown, IB (90-92)	458	2,699	5.89	23
7. Keith Jones, IB (84-87)	398	2,488	6.25	32
8. Rick Berns, IB (76-78)	440	2,449	5.56	28
9. Roger Craig, IB (79-82)	407	2,446	6.01	26
10. Jeff Kinney, HB (69-71)	545	2,244	4.11	29
11. Doug DuBose, IB (82-85)	362	2,205	6.09	16
12. Bobby Reynolds, HB (50-52)	378	2,196	5.80	24
13. Jarvis Redwine, IB (79-80)	304	2,161	7.10	17
14. Tony Davis, FB (73-75)	501	2,153	4.29	17
15. Steve Taylor, QB (85-88)	431	2,125	4.93	32
16. Monte Anthony, IB (74-77)	463	2,077	4.48	18
17. Ahman Green, IB (95-96)	296	2,003	6.77	20

Green's Career Statistics

1995 Rushing Game-by-Game

*indicates starts

	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TDs	Long
at Okla. St.	6	52	0	52	1	18
at Mich. St.	4	74	0	74	1	57
Ariz. St.	13	116	5	111	2	26
Pacific	15	113	1	112	2	25
Wash. St.	13	176	0	176	1	54
Missouri*	15	91	1	90	1	16
Kansas St.*	22	111	2	109	0	33
at Colorado*	18	103	6	97	2	57
Iowa St.*	12	176	0	176	3	64
at Kansas*	10	48	3	45	0	15
Oklahoma*	13	48	4	44	0	13

Avg. per Play: 7.7; Avg. Per Game: 98.7

1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida: Rush 9-68-1

1996 Rushing Game-by-Game

	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TDs	Long
Mich. St.*	15	72	1	71	1	19
at Ariz. St.*	20	95	8	87	0	23
Colo. St.*	22	169	6	163	1	38
at Kansas St.*	14	66	0	66	1	13
Baylor	DNP - turf toe					
at Tex. Tech*	19	90	14	76	0	19
Kansas*	12	65	0	65	1	14
at Okla.*	9	9	4	5	1	4
Missouri*	12	164	3	161	1	70
at Iowa St.*	29	217	3	214	1	25
Colorado*	3	9	-	9	-	6
Texas	DNP - stress fracture					

Avg. per Play: 5.9; Avg. Per Game: 91.7

Career Rushing

Year	G/S	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TDs	Lg.
1995	11/6	141	1,108	22	1,086	13	64
1996	10/10	155	956	39	917	7	70
Total	21/16	296	2,064	61	2,003	20	70

Avg. per Play: 6.8; Avg. Per Game: 95.4

100-Yard Rushing Games: 8

Long TD Run: 64-yard TD vs. Iowa St., 1995

Long Run: 70 yards vs. Missouri, 1996

Most Attempts: 29 vs. Iowa State, 1996

Most Yards: 214 vs. Iowa State, 1996

Career Receiving

Year	G	No.	Yds.	Y/C	Y/G	TDs	Long
1995	11	12	102	8.5	9.3	3	35
1996	10	9	93	10.3	9.3	0	19
Total	21	21	195	9.8	9.3	3	35

Most Receptions in a Game: 3 vs. KSU, 1995; CSU, 1996

Most Reception Yards in a Game: 44 vs. CU, '95

Long Reception: 35 vs. Colorado, 1995

Long TD Reception: 12 vs. KSU, 1995

Career All-Purpose

Year	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	Total	A/G
1995	1,086	102	0	71	1,259	114.5
1996	917	93	0	29	1,039	103.9
Totals	2,003	195	0	100	2,298	109.4

Ranking in NCAA Rushing

season with seven TDs. He averaged 5.9 yards per carry and 91.9 yards per game. He has also caught nine passes for 93 yards and averaged 103.9 yards in all-purpose yards. Green has had three 100-yard rushing days in 1996 (163 against Colorado State, 161 against Missouri and a career-best 214 yards on a career-high 29 carries against Iowa State) eight in his career. In 1995, Green, who had not redshirted, played immediately for the Huskers, and set the Husker freshman rushing record with 1,086 on 141 carries with 13 TDs for an incredible 7.7 average per carry and 98.7 per game. He also caught 12 passes for 102 yards and three more TDs. His season best was 176 yards twice, against Washington State in his first start (one TD) and against Iowa State (three TDs). He started the last seven regular-season games, but not the Fiesta Bowl. Green was just the fourth Big Eight freshman and 38th frosh in NCAA Division I-A to break the 1,000 yard barrier. His 96 points scored bettered the previous Nebraska freshman record, but trailed NU's freshman place-kicker Kris Brown's 97 points on the season. Green's 12 catches on the season were the most ever for an NU freshman and his four kickoff returns for 71 yards secured his spot as NU's all-purpose leader, averaging 114.5 yards per game. His 1,259 all-purpose yards were the most ever for a Husker freshman, as he averaged 114.5 yards per game. For his outstanding season, Green was the Big Eight Newcomer- and Freshman-of-the-Year as named by the Associated Press and league coaches. He earned first-team All-Big Eight honors by the coaches, and was a third-team All-American by the UPI. As a prepster, Green rushed for more than 1,000 yards three consecutive years at two different high schools, as a sophomore at Omaha North and as a junior and senior at Central. Central also produced running back greats Gayle Sayers of Kansas, and NU's previous freshman record holder Calvin Jones. Green finished just 41 yards shy of June Henley's Big Eight freshman rushing record of 1,127 yards in 1993. For more on Green, please see pages 100-101 in the 1996 NU Football Guide.

#4 DeAngelo Evans

I-back

5-9, 210, Fr.

Wichita, Kan. (Collegiate)



- ◆ Honorable-Mention All-Big 12 (AP, Coaches)
- ◆ Nebraska Nominee for Big 12 Offensive Player-of-the-Week (vs. Kansas State, Colorado)

Another true freshman to make a huge impact for the Huskers, DeAngelo Evans is the Huskers' second-leading rusher, backing up sophomore starter Ahman Green and alternating with senior Damon Benning. The only healthy Husker at that position before the Texas game, he earned his first career start against the Longhorns and is penciled in to start at that position against Virginia Tech. Evans had the third-best freshman rushing season for a Husker with 776 yards on 148 carries for a 5.2 yards per carry average. He leads the team in rushing touchdowns with 14 (the most ever for a NU freshman rusher) and averaged 70.5 yards per game. He also had 12 catches (fourth best on team) for 75 yards (no TDs), five kickoff returns for 118 yards (23.6 ypr, second best on team), 91.7 yards of total offense per game and led the team averaging 103.9 all-purpose yards. Evans had just one carry for two yards in the season opener, did not play in the loss to Arizona State, had six carries for 72 yards and a TD vs. Colorado State, then made his big time debut vs. No. 16 Kansas State. Playing in front of a homestate, yet booing crowd, Evans came in for the injured Green and recorded a career-high 168 yards on 21 attempts (third-most yards ever by a NU true frosh). It was his first 100-yard rushing day. The 168 yards included a season-best 69-yard TD to open scoring in the third quarter and a five-yard TD run with 12:34 remaining in the fourth. Evans had his 100-yard rushing day with more than 10 minutes remaining in the third quarter, even though he didn't start. After that game, Nebraska running backs coach Frank Solich said, "DeAngelo has practiced hard and prepared well from the moment he stepped on campus here, so we were very comfortable with him in that situation. He's the type of player who picks things up quickly. He's a slashing type of runner, who doesn't waste any time making cuts and decisions. He reacts well with sharp, hard cuts. You will hardly ever see him make long lateral moves. His build (5-9, 210) probably helps him. He runs low to the ground, has excellent balance and is hard to knock off his feet." Evans followed his K-State performance with another 100-yard rushing day off the bench, this time as backup for Benning, who started in Green's place against Baylor. Evans had 12 carries for 105 yards (8.8 ypc) and two more TDs. He rushed six times for 24 yards against Texas Tech; 12 times for 42 yards and a TD vs. Kansas; had two rushing TDs against Oklahoma, rushing 13 times for 36 yards. He had 20 yards on eight carries and two TDs against Missouri; and 54 yards on 12 carries against Iowa

Evans' Career Statistics

	1996 Rushing Game-by-Game					TDs	Long
	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net			
Mich. St.	1	2	0	2	0	2	
at Ariz. St.	DNP						
Colo. St.	6	72	0	72	1	30	
at Kansas St.	21	168	0	168	2	69	
Baylor	12	105	0	105	2	33	
at Tex. Tech	6	26	2	24	0	14	
Kansas	12	42	0	42	1	10	
at Okla.	13	46	10	36	2	9	
Missouri	8	21	1	20	2	6	
at Iowa St.	12	54	0	54	0	11	
Colorado	25	123	0	123	1	40	
Texas	32	132	2	130	3	23	
Avg. per Play: 5.2 Avg. Per Game: 70.5							

Long Rush: 69 yards vs. Kansas State
Long TD Rush: 69 yards vs. Kansas State
Most TDs Rushing: 3 vs. Texas, 1996
Most Yards Rushing: 168 vs. Kansas State
Most Rushing Attempts: 32 vs. Texas
Rushes 25-Yards or More: Four

Top 10 NUFrosh Rushing Seasons

Player (year)	Att.	Yds	Avg.	TDs
1. A. Green, IB* ('95)	141	1086	7.7	13
2. C. Jones, IB ('91)	108	900	8.3	4
3. D. Evans, IB* ('96)	148	776	5.2	14
4. M. Anthony, IB* ('74)	109	587	5.4	6
5. L. Phillips, IB* ('93)	92	508	5.2	5
6. T. Frazier, QB* ('92)	86	399	4.6	7
7. D. Brown, IB ('90)	59	375	6.4	5
8. D. Benning, IB ('93)	55	323	5.9	4
9. M. Joseph, QB ('88)	24	215	9.0	3
10. L. Flowers, IB ('88)	32	202	6.3	2

*true freshmen

Husker Starters...Injuries

Starters		Injuries
MSU	Green	
ASU	Green	
CSU	Green	
KSU	Green	Green--turf toe
		Benning--groin pull (DNP)
Baylor	Benning	Green--turf toe (DNP)
TTU	Green	Green--turf toe
KU	Green	Green--turf toe
OU	Green	Green--turf toe
MU	Green	
ISU	Green	
CU	Green	Green--stress fracture
		Benning--sprained ankle
Texas	Evans	Green--stress fracture
		Benning--sprained ankle

Huskers by Game

(100-Yard Rushers in bold)

	Green	Evans	Benning
MSU	71	2	35
ASU	87	DNP	52
CSU	163	72	59
KSU	66	168	DNP
Baylor	DNP	105	135
TTU	76	24	32
KU	65	42	54
OU	5	36	26
MU	161	20	16
ISU	214	54	45
CU	9	123	11
Texas	DNP	130	0

State. When Green got hurt on the first series and Benning in the first quarter against No. 5 Colorado, Evans was called upon to again carry the load against a nationally ranked team. As usual, he remained calm and poised under pressure and recorded his third 100-yard rushing day against the Buffs. He carried a then-career-high 25 times for 123 yards, including one seven-yard TD. He also had the game's long run of 40 yards. Evans' best days seem to come against the best teams in the conference. The ever-poised youngster (turned 20, Dec. 13) drew his first start in the Big 12 Championship game against Texas in St. Louis. He recorded his fourth 100-yard rushing day (second consecutive), against the Longhorns with 130 yards on a career-high 32 carries. He had a career-best three TDs, marking the fifth time this year he had at least two scores in a game, the first time to have three, tying the NU season best. He also had a career-best receiving day with six catches for 42 yards and was named the ABC Nebraska Player-of-the-Game. He ranks third among Husker freshmen with 776 yards on the season, behind Green's 1,086 and Calvin Jones' 900 as a redshirt freshman in 1991. NU's first commitment in 1996, Evans was an All-American playing for Collegiate High in Wichita, Kan. The 5-9, 210-pound back amassed 8,473 yards in his 47-game career with 131 TDs, which ranked third nationally. He rushed for more than 100 yards in 31 straight games. For more information on DeAngelo Evans, please see page 147 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#21 Damon Benning

I-back

5-11, 215, Sr.

Letters: Three

Omaha, Neb. (Northwest)



◆ Doak Walker Award Nominee

A veteran in a young backfield, Benning is a fifth-year senior I-back for the Huskers and backed up Ahman Green at I-back, along with Evans. He has served as NU's kick returner for four years. In 1996, Benning averaged 42.3 yards per game, despite a midseason groin pull (missed KSU game) and a late-season ankle sprain (did not rush against Texas). Benning totaled 465 yards on 85 carries (5.5 ypc), with seven TDs. He started in Green's place against Baylor and recorded his first 100-yard rushing day this season, the third of his career with 135 yards on 22 carries and three TDs (ties career best). Benning had 50 yards or more three other times against Arizona State (52), Colorado State (59), and Kansas (54). He also served as NU's No. 1 kickoff return man and had 191 yards including a long of 45 yards vs. Arizona State. For the first time in his four-year career, he also returned punts on a regular basis and totaled 125 yards on 10 returns, with a career-best of 51 vs. Texas Tech. He has 1,562 yards rushing in his career to rank 24th all time; 134 receiving; 770 in kickoff returns; 159 in punt returns for 2,625 all-purpose career yards, which ranks among the Husker top 15. He just missed the school record for career kickoff return average, as he posted a 24.1 average (school record is 25.35 by Pat Fischer, 1958-60). Benning has had three 100-yard rushing games with a career best of 173 vs. Pacific in 1995. Always a big-play threat, Benning has 14 kick returns (13 kickoff, one punt) of 25 yards or more in his career. In 1995, Benning battled a nagging hamstring injury throughout the season, but played in nine games and rushed 63 times for 407 yards and four TDs. He had a career-long rush of 62 yards vs. Pacific, a career-best 173 yards on 10 carries and a personal-best three TDs vs. the Tigers. He totaled 50 yards or more three times, including 62 vs. Oklahoma State and 63 vs. Washington State. He also caught two passes for 40 yards in 1995, with a long of 23 vs. K-State and returned three kickoffs for 79 yards, including a season-best of 42 yards at Kansas. In 1994, Benning finished as the team's fourth-leading rusher, playing in all 12 games. He rushed 67 times for 367 yards and scored five TDs. His best outing was 10 carries for 87 yards against Pacific with a TD. Also NU's kickoff returner, Benning had 12 returns for 308 yards including a career-best 58-yarder against Texas Tech, when he had three for 90 yards total. Benning also caught five passes for 68 yards in 1994, including a career-best 37-yard gain vs. Kansas. In the 1995 Orange Bowl, Benning rushed three times for 18 yards and had 88 yards on five kickoff returns. Benning started two games in 1993 when Calvin Jones was out with a knee injury and finished the season as the Huskers' fourth-leading rusher with 55 carries for 323 yards (eighth-highest NU total for a freshman) and four TDs. Playing in 10 games, plus the 1994 Orange Bowl, Benning had a then-career-high 127 yards in his first start against Texas Tech on 19 carries with two TDs. In the 1994 Orange Bowl, Benning rushed five times for five yards and returned two kickoffs for 39 yards, including a 37-yard return in the second quarter. Benning redshirted in 1992, after leading Class A in rushing at Omaha Northwest as a senior. For more on Benning, see pages 107-108 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Guide.

Benning's Career Statistics

Career Rushing

Year	G	No.	Yds.	Y/C	Y/G	TDs	Long
1992--Redshirted							
1993 10/2	55	323	5.9	32.3	4	51	
1994 12/0	67	367	5.5	30.6	5	23	
1995 9/2	63	407	6.5	45.2	4	62	
1996 11/1	85	465	5.5	42.3	7	22	
Totals	42/5	270	1,562	5.7	37.2	20	62

Career Receiving

Year	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	LP	TDs
1993	10	4	27	6.8	14	0
1994	12	5	68	13.6	37	0
1995	9	2	40	20.0	23	0
1996	11	1	-1	0.0	-1	0
Totals	42	12	134	12.2	37	0

Career Kickoff Returns

Year	G	Att.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs
1993	10	9	192	21.3	57	0
1994	12	12	308	25.7	58	0
1995	9	3	79	26.3	42	0
1996	11	8	191	23.9	45	0
Totals	42	32	770	24.1	58	0

Career All-Purpose

Year	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	Total	A/G
1993	367	27	0	192	586	58.6
1994	323	68	0	308	699	58.3
1995	407	40	34	79	560	62.2
1996	465	-1	125	191	780	70.9
Tot.	1,562	134	159	770	2,625	62.5

Career Tackles: 3 UT, 3 AT, 6 TT

1994 Orange Bowl: Rushing 5-5; KOR 2-39

1995 Orange Bowl: Rushing 3-18; KOR 5-88

1996 Fiesta Bowl: Rushing 1-3; PR 1-0

Benning's 100-Yard Rushing Games

1993--127 vs. Texas Tech

1994--None

1995--173 vs. Pacific

1996--135 vs. Baylor

Long Rush: 62 yards vs. Pacific, 1995

Long TD Rush: 45 yards vs. Texas Tech, 1993

Most TDs Rushing: 3 vs. Pacific, 1995; Baylor, 1996

Most Yards Rushing: 173 vs. Pacific, 1995

Most Rushing Attempts: 20 vs. Washington State, 1995

Rushes 25-Yards or More: Five

Career Long KO Return: 58 yards vs. Texas Tech, 1994

Career Long Punt Return: 51 vs. Texas Tech, 1996

Career Long Reception: 37 vs. Kansas, 1994

Husker QB Has Outstanding First Year

#7 Scott Frost

Quarterback

6-3, 215, Jr.

Wood River, Neb.

(Stanford/Wood River HS)



- ◆ GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-District VII
- ◆ Big 12 Offensive Newcomer-of-the-Year (Coaches)
- ◆ Third-Team All-Big 12 (Coaches)
- ◆ Honorable-Mention All-Big 12 (AP)
- ◆ Nebraska Big 12 Offensive Player-of-the-Week
- ◆ Nominee Four Times (vs. MSU, CSU, KU, OU)

Frost is a first-year starter for the Huskers, the first time NU has had a new signal caller since Tommie Frazier's first year in 1992. An excellent athlete and a Nebraska native, Frost is a junior transfer from Stanford and has had two springs and one fall camp with the Huskers, as he arrived on campus before the 1995 spring semester. Frost performed extremely well for his first year in a complicated offense and a difficult conference. For his efforts he was named the Big 12 Offensive Newcomer-of-the-Year by the coaches and third-team/honorable-mention honors. On the season, Frost has passed for more than 1,400 yards completing 104-204 passes for 1,440 yards, 13 TDs and just three interceptions. His 1,440 passing yards rank eighth on the Nebraska season chart and bettered fourth-year senior Tommie Frazier's 1,362 passing yards of 1995, and Frost ranks 10th on the season total offense chart with 1,878 yards. It's the most passing yards for a Husker QB since Keithen McCanth had 1,454 in 1991. He completed 52 percent of his passes on the season. Frost already ranks 16th at NU in career passing. In the last six games Frost was 60-107 passing (56 percent) for 845 yards, throwing for at least 100 in five of those contests, and producing a 9-1 touchdown-interception ratio. His best passing day is 254 yards against Kansas (12-16), while his best rushing day is 90 yards against Baylor (12 attempts). He has only been sacked 10 times in 12 games. He has either rushed for a TD or thrown a TD strike in nine of 12 games this year (except ASU, Colorado and Texas). Frost posted a 13-3 TD-interception ratio in 12 games on 200 attempts. The three interceptions thrown ranks third nationally and just out of first place as Army and Ohio QBs have each thrown two on the year. Frost has not thrown an interception since the third quarter of the Oklahoma game (four games, 18 quarters, 84 attempts) and finished the season ranked 32nd nationally in passing efficiency at 130.9 rating points. He rushed for 438 yards (fourth best on team), scoring nine TDs (second best on team), 13 by pass, for 22 total offense scores. After the first two games, Frost settled into the difficult Husker offense and had a great outing in game three against Colorado State, completing 13-18 passes for 143 yards and two TDs and rushing 10 times for 56 yards and a score. In the Huskers' second conference game against Baylor, Frost had a career-high 90 yards rushing on 12 carries, with a career-long 13-yard TD run. Against Kansas, Frost had his best day as a Husker. He began the day with a 41-yard completion to tight end Vershan Jackson and never let up, leading NU to touchdowns on seven of eight possessions he quarterbacked, and was 7-7 in the red zone. On the night, Frost completed 12 of 16 passes for a Nebraska-high 254 yards passing with no interceptions and threw three TD passes. Frost also had six carries for 35 yards and two TDs and had 289 yards in total offense with a career-best five TDs (school record is six total offense TDs). Frost was actually "perfect" in the air against the Jayhawks, as two of his incompletions were downing the ball, and the other two passes were dropped. It was Frost's first 200-yard passing day with his previous best 178 vs. Baylor. The last time a Husker QB passed for 200 was Tommie Frazier at Colorado on Oct. 28, 1995. That was also the last time the team passed for 200 yards. Frost again passed for more than 150 yards the next week against Oklahoma, completing 10-22 passes for 163 yards and another three TDs. He had his third consecutive game passing for more than 100 yards against Missouri, with 114, despite only playing a little more than two quarters. Against Iowa State, Frost again passed for more than 100 yards, completing 8-17 passes for 103 yards and two TDs, and he also rushed seven times for 28 yards and two TDs. Against the No. 5 Colorado Buffaloes, Frost kept the Huskers' national title hopes alive, completing 6-14 passes for 56 yards with no interceptions and rushed 12 times for 32 yards. He led a key drive in the fourth quarter, using up the final 2:53 gaining two first downs by rush (11 yards and four yards). Frost completed 15 of 24 passes (both season bests) for 155 yards vs. Texas with no interceptions. He also rushed a career-high 18 times for 47 yards, but for just the third time this season, Frost did not have a hand in a score. Frost rushed for 4,278 yards and 72 TDs and completed 447 of 882 passes (51 percent) for 6,859 yards (67 TDs) at Wood River High School, where he played for his father Larry (head coach) and mother Carol (receivers coach) For more information on Scott Frost, please see page 125 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

Frost's Career Statistics

Career Passing

Year	G/S	A-C-I	Pct.	Yds	TDs	Lg
1996	12/12	126	578	140	438	51
Avg. per Pass: 13.8; Avg. Per Game: 120.0						

Career Receiving

Year	G/S	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TDs	Lg.
1996	12/12	126	578	140	438	9	22
Avg. per Play: 3.5; Avg. Per Game: 36.5							

1996 Game-by-Game

	Rushing		Passing		Total Off.
	No.	Yds-TDs	A-C-I	Yds-TDs	No-Yds-TDs
MSU*	10	58-1	12	5-0-74-1	22-132-2
at ASU*	10	-7-0	20	6-0-66-0	30-59-0
CSU*	10	56-1	18	13-0-143-2	28-199-3
at KSU*	11	35-0	16	8-1-79-1	27-114-1
BU*	12	90-1	15	8-0-178-0	27-272-1
at TTU*	14	22-1	12	4-1-55-0	26-77-1
KU*	6	35-2	16	12-0-254-3	22-289-5
at OU*	8	14-0	22	10-1-163-3	30-177-3
MU*	8	28-1	14	9-0-114-1	22-142-2
at ISU*	7	28-2	17	8-0-103-2	24-131-2
CU*	12	32-0	14	6-0-56-0	26-88-0
Texas*	18	47-0	24	15-0-155-0	42-202-0

*indicates starts

Long Pass: 51 yards to Lake vs. OU
Long TD Pass: 51 yards to Lake vs. OU
Most Yards Passing: 254 vs. Kansas+
Most Passing Attempts: 24 vs. Texas+
Most Passing Completions: 15 vs. Texas+
Long Rush: 22 vs. Baylor
Long TD Rush: 13 vs. Baylor
Most Yards Rushing: 90 vs. Baylor
Most Rushing Attempts: 18 vs. Texas
Most Total Offense: 289 vs. Kansas+
Most Total Offense Attempts: 42 vs. Texas+
Passes 25-Yards or More: 14
Rushes 25-Yards or More: 0

+Note: Frost completed 18-38 passes for 264 yards vs. Oregon while playing for Stanford in 1994, those are his career bests in passing attempts, completions and yards. In that game he also rushed eight times for 56 yards, which gives him a career best 46 total offense attempts for a career-best 320 yards of total offense.

Husker Starters and Statistical Leaders

#20 Michael Booker

Left Cornerback

6-2, 205, Sr.

Letters: Three

Oceanside, Calif. (El Camino)



- ◆ Second-Team All-Big 12 (AP, Coaches)

Booker started every game at left cornerback in 1996. He recorded 25 tackles on the season and was second on the team in breakups with eight. He tied his career-best of three breakups in a game (vs. Florida in the Fiesta Bowl) against Texas Tech, had his lone interception of the year against Kansas State (eight yard return) and had two tackles for three yards lost. Booker's biggest breakup of the year was against Colorado. The Buffaloes were driving late in the game and approaching the Husker end zone, when Booker broke up a Koy Detmer pass that Jamel Williams intercepted. NU held Colorado on one more drive then rode out the time to preserve the win. In 1995, Booker started all but the first two games as NU's left cornerback. Opposite of All-Big Eight Tyrone Williams, Booker saw plenty of action and finished 10th on the team in tackles with 33 (20 solo). He tied for the team lead in interceptions with three and had returns of six yards vs. Arizona State (his first start), 22 yards vs. Kansas State and 22 vs. Oklahoma. He also tied for the team lead for most pass breakups with six and had two vs. K-State. Booker had a career-best six tackles against Michigan State (five solo). In the Fiesta Bowl national championship game against Florida, Booker tied the bowl record with three breakups, had four tackles, and a 42-yard interception return for a touchdown, which gave Nebraska a 32-10 lead with 2:40 remaining in the second quarter. Booker earned a letter in 1994 as a first-year sophomore, playing backup at right corner to Tyrone Williams and Leslie Dennis. Booker finished the season with four tackles, two solo. Booker was a two-year standout football and basketball player at El Camino High School. For more information on Michael Booker, please see page 109 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

Michael Booker's Career Statistics

Defense	(———Tackles———)					Fum.				QBInt.		
Year	G/S	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	C-RBK	PBU	PI	Hry.	Csd.	
1994	7/0	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
1995	11/9	20	13	33	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	6	3	0	
1996	12/12	8	17	25	2-3	0-0	0-0	0	8	1	0	
Totals	30/21	30	32	62	3-6	0-0	0-0	0	14	4	0	

Interceptions

Year	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	TD
1994	0	0	0.0	0	0
1995	3	50	16.7	22 (KSU, OU)	0
1996	1	8	8.0	8 (KSU)	0
Totals	4	58	14.5	22 vs. (KSU, OU)	0

1995 Orange Bowl vs. Miami: Tackles None

1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida: Tackles 3 UT, 1 AT, 4 TT; Interceptions 1-42, TD; PBU 3; voted the game's Most Valuable Player on Defense

#35 Kris Brown

Place-Kicker

5-10, 205, So.

Letters: One

Southlake, Texas (Carroll)



- ◆ Second-Team All-Big 12 (AP, Coaches)
- ◆ Lou Groza Award Nominee

For the second consecutive year, place-kicker Kris Brown led the Huskers in scoring. He had 86 points in 1996 (7.2 ppg, ranked 49th nationally). He was 12-19 on field goals, 50-51 on PATs. Brown's field goals made this season include three more than 40 yards with a career-best 51-yarder against Texas in the Big 12 Championship game. He had a consecutive PAT streak of 48 kicks made, but it ended with his first miss of the season on his third attempt at Iowa State. His best game this year was against Kansas State, when he connected on four field goals in the first half, including a 50-yard then-career-best boot with no time remaining to put the Huskers up 18-3 at halftime. He ended up 4-5 on the day, just missing a 34-yard attempt in the third quarter. The four field goals in the game were a career best and marked the fifth time Brown had kicked three-or-more field goals in a game. Three of his misses are from 40 yards. Brown is just 39 points away from the NU career record for points by a kicker (222 by Byron Bennett, 1990-93, Brown has 183), two field goals away from the career field goals made record (27 by Dale Klein, 1984-86, Brown is 25-35), 43 PATs away from the career PAT made record (151 by Kevin Seibel, 1980-82, Brown has made 108-112) and 129 points away from the Nebraska overall individual scoring record (312 by Mike Rozier, 1981-83). With 97 points as a frosh and 86 this season, he ranks 14th among all Huskers and is on track to break that record as well as the kicking records. Brown was one of three true freshmen to play for the Huskers in 1995, and took over the place-kicking duties from No. 1 baseball draft pick Darin Erstad. On the season, Brown made 13-16 field goals last year and made 58 of 61 PATs, for 97 points on the season. Brown was responsible for the best field goal percentage in school history (.813). He also successfully completed one pass for a two-point conversion. He had 97 points on the season, an NU freshman scoring record and an overall school record for points by kicking in a season, breaking Calvin Jones' previous freshman scoring record of 84 points in 1991. The OU game marked the fourth game in 1995 that Brown hit on three field goals in a game (also vs. Michigan State, Washington State and Colorado). Brown's longest field goal was a 47-yarder at MSU in game two. He was 1-2 on kicks of 40 yards or more and 7-9 on kicks from the 30 and out. Twice on the year he was 7-7 on PATs and hit on 31 consecutive, after missing his very first in the season opener. Brown was a quarterback at Carroll High School in Texas. For more information on Brown, see page 146 of the NU Media Guide.

Kris Brown's Career Statistics

Scoring

Year	G	PAT	FG	TP	PPG	Field Goal Range
						1-19 20-29 30-39 40-49 50+ Lg
1995	11	58-61	13-16	97	8.8	0-0 6-7 6-7 1-2 0-0 47
1996	12	50-51	12-19	86	7.2	0-0 6-6 3-7 1-4 2-2 51
Total	23	108-112	25-35	183	8.0	0-0 12-13 9-14 2-6 2-2 51

Brown's Field Goal Sequence Game-by-Game

1995: (24); (22, 47, 20); (0); (30); (33, 22, 20); (0); (0); (25, 36, 37); (38); (0); (31, 45, 27, 35). 1996: (35, 24); (0); (27); (45, 27, 28, 50, 34); (49, 34); (39, 49); (0); (25); (31, 35); (0); (30, 41); (51, 24). **Bold and underlined indicates field goal made.** Tackles: 2 UT, 0 AT, 2 TT, 1995; 0 UT, 1 AT, 1 TT, 1996; 1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida: PATs 5-6, 1 blocked; Field Goals 2-2 (26 and 24 yards, both in second quarter)

#22 Ralph Brown

Right Cornerback

5-11, 180, Fr.

Hacienda Heights, Calif.

(Bishop Amat)



- ◆ First-Team Freshman All-American (Sporting News)
- ◆ Big 12 Defensive Newcomer-of-the-Year (AP)
- ◆ Honorable-Mention All-Big 12 (AP, Coaches)

True freshman cornerback Ralph Brown is the first Husker position player (excluding kickers) to start the first game of his freshman year since WWII. Although he has been picked on, he has shown poise and talent beyond his years. In 12 games (and 12 starts), Brown had 28 tackles (15 solo), one fumble recovery, 12 breakups and four interceptions for 83 yards and one TD. Brown's 12 pass breakups are the second most in a season all-time at NU, one off the school record and only the second time in NU history a Husker has had double-figure breakups (school record is 13 by Barron Miles in 1994). His first interception was against Colorado State in game No. 3, when he also had two breakups and three tackles. In the next game against nationally ranked Kansas State, he recorded his second interception and had a breakup and two tackles against All-American receiver Kevin Lockett. His third pickoff was an 83-yard return for a TD vs. Oklahoma, which broke the Sooners' back, giving NU a 24-0 third-quarter lead. And his latest was a pickoff for no return yards against Iowa State. Brown broke a school record with seven breakups against No. 5 Colorado and aided the team to a school-record 15 breakups in the game. Brown had a season-best eight tackles against Missouri and had one tackle for one yard lost against No. 5 Colorado. The Huskers rank in the top seven in every national category and the No. 1 unit has only given up nine TDs to opponents in 12 games this season. Brown has certainly shown he can hold his own. Brown was a consensus All-American and was listed as the No. 2 defensive back to come out of the prep ranks a year ago. He played both ways at Bishop Amat High School in LaPuente, Calif., rushing for 2,246 yards on 311 carries. For more information on Ralph Brown, please see page 146 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

Ralph Brown's Career Statistics

Defense	(-----Tackles-----)	Fum.	QBInt.
Year	G/S UT AT TT TFL Sacks	C-RBK PBU PI	Hry.Csd.
1996	12/12 15 13 28 1-1 0-0	0-1 0 15	*4 0-0

Interceptions: *4-83, 1 TD (83 yard TD return vs. Oklahoma)

#90 Tim Carpenter

Tight End

6-3, 255, Jr.

Letters: Two

Columbus, Neb.



Tim Carpenter played in every game and started 10, all except the season-opener against Michigan State when he was still recovering from knee surgery in the spring (ACL right knee) and the Iowa State game. Although he did not have any receptions, Carpenter is an excellent blocker and gives the Huskers a six-man front. His strength helped lead the Huskers to a No. 4 national ranking in rushing (291.9 ypg) and limited the opposing defense to just 10 sacks in 12 games. In 1995, Carpenter alternated with Mark Gilman on the first team, missing two games in midseason when he had arthroscopic surgery. He has two career catches, a 15-yard reception vs. Pacific in 1995, and a 12-yard catch against Pacific in 1994. Carpenter redshirted in 1993. He was an all-state running back for Columbus High School in 1992. For more on Tim Carpenter, please see page 123 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

Tim Carpenter's Career Statistics

Receiving

Year	G/S	No.	Yds.	Avg.	LP	TDs
1993--redshirted						
1994	8/0	1	12	12.0	12 (Pac.)	0
1995	9/1	1	15	15.0	15 (Pac.)	0
1996	12/11	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	29/2	2	27	13.5	15 (Pac.)	0

1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida: Kickoff Returns, 1-5

#56 Jay Foreman

Mike Linebacker

6-1, 230, So.

Letters: One

Eden Prairie, Minn.



Jay Foreman played in every game at Mike linebacker. Although he had no starts, he saw extensive playing time alternating with senior Jon Hesse. Foreman finished seventh on the team in tackles with 43 stops, 22 of those solo, which ranked fourth on the team. He also had two key interceptions on the year, one for a six-yard return against Oklahoma in the third quarter, which the Huskers converted into a touchdown, and one he picked off from Koy Detmer against Colorado and returned 21 yards for Nebraska's first score with 6:20 remaining in the first quarter to give NU a 7-6 lead. He also had two quarterback hurries on the year, and shared a sack with Grant Wistrom in the Baylor game. He also had four tackles against the Bears. His tackle high on the season was seven in the season opener vs. Michigan State. He started every game as a redshirt freshman last year, recording 32 tackles, including two for five yards lost and two quarterback hurries. He started against Florida in the Fiesta Bowl last year, recording three tackles in the 62-24 win. From Eden Prairie High School in Minnesota, Jay is the son of Chuck Foreman, the former Minnesota Vikings great. As a prepster, Jay rushed for 950 yards, had 421 yards in receptions and 200 in kickoff returns. Playing both sides of the ball, he was a SuperPrep and Blue Chip All-American. For more information on Jay Foreman, please see page 111 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

Jay Foreman's Career Statistics

Defense (-----Tackles-----)	Fum.	QBInt.
Year G/S UT AT TT TEL Sacks C-RBK PBU PI Hry.Csd.		
1994--Redshirt		
1995 11/11 10 22 32 2-5 0-0 0-0 0 0 0 2-0		
1996 12/0 10 33 43 1-2 0.5-2 1-0 0 1 2* 2-0		
Totals 23/11 20 55 75 3-7 0.5-2 1-0 0 1 2* 4-0		

Interceptions: 2-27 (1-6 vs. Oklahoma; 1-21, TD vs. Colorado, 1996)

1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida: Tackles 1 UT, 2 AT, 3 TT

#12 Mike Fullman

Left Cornerback

5-7, 170, Sr.

Letters: One

Roselle, N.J.

(Abraham Clark)



Suffering from a chronic groin injury, Husker coaches were doubtful that Mike Fullman would be able to play this season. But Fullman showed he could play with pain, as he played in every game except Oklahoma and Missouri, when he sat out with an ankle sprain. Fullman recorded 12 tackles on the season, eight were solo stops and had one tackle for two yards lost in the Big 12 Championship game against Texas. Fullman played behind Michael Booker at left corner and had one breakup against Kansas State, and a career-best five tackles against Arizona State. Fullman was also Nebraska's No. 1 punt returner with 21 returns for a team-best 250 yards in returns. He had five punt returns twice, against Michigan State (121 yards, career best) and against Colorado State (nine yards in returns). His 62-yard punt return for a TD against Michigan State in the season opener was a team best for the year and gave the Huskers a 17-0 lead in the second quarter. His average of 11.9 yards per return ranked 26th among all NCAA Division I athletes and second in the Big 12. Fullman was an impact player in 1995 as well, even though he was virtually unknown. A walk-on transfer from Rutgers, Fullman sat out 1994, then played corner behind Michael Booker in 1995. In 11 games he had 16 tackles and two interceptions for 97 yards in returns, including an 86-yard scamper for a TD against Kansas. He had 285 yards on 21 punt returns and led the Big Eight and ranked 10th nationally, averaging 13.6 yards per return. He scored on a 79-yard punt return against Kansas State, and in his career has had five returns of 20 yards or more (three in 1995, two in 1996). Fullman attended Abraham Clark High School in Roselle, N.J., playing running back and defensive back. For more information on Mike Fullman, please see page 126 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

Mike Fullman's Career Statistics

Defense (-----Tackles-----)	Fum.	QBInt.
Year G/S UT AT TT TEL Sacks C-RBK PBU PI Hry.Csd.		
1995 11/0 11 5 16 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 0 2 0 0		
1996 10/0 8 4 12 1-2 0-0 0-0 0 1 0 0 0		
Totals 21/0 19 9 28 1-2 0-0 0-0 0 1 2 0 0		

Interceptions

Year	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	TD
1995	2	97	48.5	86 (KU)	1
1996	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	2	97	48.5	86 (KU)	1

Punt returns

Year	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	TD
1995	21	285	79 (KSU)	1	
1996	21	250	62 (MSU)	1	
Totals	42	535	79 (KSU)	2	

1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida: Tackles, 1 UT, 0 AT, 1 TT; Punt Returns, 1-0

#44 Jon Hesse

Mike Linebacker

6-4, 250, Sr.

Letters: Two

Lincoln, Neb. (Southeast)



- ◆ NACDA Postgraduate Scholarship Finalist (\$5,000)
- ◆ CFA Scholar-Athlete
- ◆ AFCA Postgraduate Scholarship Award Finalist (\$5,000)
- ◆ Burger King Scholar Athlete-of-the-Week (Sept. 12), \$10,000 to UNL General Scholarship Fund
- ◆ Second-Team GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-American
- ◆ GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-District VII
- ◆ First-Team All-Big 12 (AP)
- ◆ Third-Team All-Big 12 (Coaches)
- ◆ Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Week (vs. Texas Tech)

Arguably having the best year for an inside linebacker in the Big 12, Jon Hesse's performance in his senior season has been no real surprise to the Husker coaches. He surprised no one a year ago when he graduated in just seven semesters. He has consistently come up with the big plays for the Blackshirts in 1996, and as a result of his superb play, Hesse was named first-team All-Big 12 by the AP. He has made these plays not only as NU's starting Mike linebacker, but also on special teams, as a member of kickoff returns, kickoff coverage, punt coverage, opponents' PAT/field goal attempts, and punt returns if the opponent has crossed midfield. Hesse had nine tackles in the season opener; 10 in the loss to Arizona State with a breakup and a tackle for loss; he led the team against Colorado State with 13, including a seven-yard interception, a blocked PAT and a sack; he had five tackles and a sack against No. 16 Kansas State; three against Baylor in limited action; was the Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Week against Texas Tech, when he led the team with 11 tackles, four for losses, blocked a punt (18-yard punt return); he recorded seven tackles with one for seven yards lost vs. Kansas; five more tackles against Oklahoma; four vs. Missouri; four vs. Iowa State; 10 against No. 5 Colorado, 13-yard TFL; and four with a tackle for loss against Texas. Hesse finished second on the team in tackles (85), second in solo stops (32), fourth in tackles for loss (11-53), and had two sacks, two breakups, one fumble caused, one recovered and two blocked kicks. Hesse, who graduated with a cumulative 3.546 GPA in psychology in December 1995, earned Academic All-America honors, as he was named to the CFA Scholar-Athlete Team. He was a second-team GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-American. He is also a finalist for the NACDA postgraduate scholarship and deposited \$10,000 to the UNL General Scholarship Fund when he was named a Burger King Scholar-Athlete. He was also a Westwood I honoree and the Fox Sports Net Scholar-Athlete of the Week vs. CSU. Hesse played in all 12 games in 1995 and 1994, as the Huskers won two national championships. He had 37 tackles in 1995, 11 in 1994 and one playing in four games in 1993. He was a Mike linebacker in 1993 and 1994 and played some at rush end in 1995. For more on Hesse, see page 127 of the NU guide.

Jon Hesse's Career Statistics

Defense	Tackles					Fum.		QBInt.				
Year	G/S	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	C-RBK	PBU	PI	Hry.	Csd.	
1992--Redshirted												
1993	4/0	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
1994	12/0	5	6	11	2-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0
1995	11/0	20	17	37	6-7	1-1	1-0	0	0	0	0	0
1996	12/12	32	53	85	11-53	2-18	1-1	2	2	0	3	0
Totals	38/11	56	74	130	18-60	3-19	2-1	*2	2	0	3	0

Blocked Kicks: 1 PAT vs. Colorado State, 1 punt vs. Texas Tech, 1996
Punt Return: 1-18 vs. Texas Tech, 1996; **Fumble Return:** 1-2 vs. CSU, 1996; **1996 Fiesta Bowl:** Tackles, 0 UT, 1 AT, 1 TT; KO Return, 1-4

#5 Brendan Holbein

Split End

5-9, 195, Sr.

Letters: Three

Cozad, Neb.



- ◆ Honorable-Mention All-Big 12 (Coaches)

At 5-9, 195, split end Brendan Holbein is one of the most physical hitters and toughest perimeter blockers in the Husker receiving corps and has excellent hands as well. Holbein started every game and led the team in receptions with 23 and reception yards with 335, averaging 14.6 yards per catch. He scored four times, including a 35-yard career-long catch in the season opener vs. Michigan State; an 11-yard catch vs. Baylor; a 14-yard catch vs. Missouri; and had a personal-best two TDs against Kansas. In that game, he tied his career best with three catches and had a career-high 69 yards with two TDs, of 20 and 15 yards. He had three catches five times in 1996, against Kansas (3-69-2), Arizona State (3-26), Colorado State (3-62), Iowa State (3-33) and Texas in the Big 12 Championship game (3-43). He also had one tackle and one fumble recovery. In 1995, Holbein played in every game alternating with senior Reggie Baul and started seven games when Nebraska opened in the split formation. Holbein was one of six receivers with double-figure catches, with 14-151 on the season and one TD. His score was a season-best 29-yard grab vs. Missouri, which made the highlight reel, after first being tipped by NU wingback Jon Vedral. The play occurred as time expired in the first half. He averaged 10.8 yards per catch and had a career-best three catches (for 21 yards) in the season opener vs. Oklahoma State. The 29 yards against Missouri was a season best. In the 1996 Fiesta Bowl, Holbein caught one pass for 33 yards and recovered Florida's fumbled punt. Holbein played in all 12 games in 1994 and started five (vs. UCLA, Pacific, Oklahoma State, Kansas and Iowa State). Holbein caught nine passes for 88 yards in 1994, including two for touchdowns. His first career score came in the fourth quarter of the UCLA game (his first career start) when he scored on a nine-yard catch from Tommie Frazier. Against the No. 13 Bruins, Holbein caught two passes for 14 yards. His second TD was a 30-yard score vs. Missouri. He also had two catches (for 12 yards) vs. Kansas. In the 1995 Orange Bowl vs. Miami, Holbein caught one pass for seven yards. In 1993, Holbein played in four regular-season games and caught one pass for 18 yards after redshirting as a walk-on freshman in 1992. In his four-year career, which began as a walk-on, Holbein has 47 catches for 592 yards and seven TDs. He is tied for 19th all-time at NU in receptions and 28th in receiving yards. Holbein is one of nine Huskers playing in the Orange Bowl with a sheepskin in hand. He graduated in December with a degree in human development and the family. For more information on Holbein, see page 113 of the 1996 NU Football Guide.

Brendan Holbein's Career Statistics

Receiving						
Year	G/S	No.	Yds.	Avg.	LP	TDs
1992--Redshirted						
1993	4/0	1	18	18.0	18 (MU)	0
1994	12/5	9	88	9.8	30 (MU)	2
1995	11/8	14	151	10.8	29 (MU)	1
1996	12/12	23	335	14.6	35 (MSU)	4
Totals	39/25	47	592	12.6	35 (MSU)	7

Tackles: 1 UT, 0 AT, 1 TT in 1995; 1 UT, 0 AT, 1 TT in 1996; **Fumbles Recovered:** 1 in 1996; **1995 Orange Bowl vs. Miami:** Receiving 1-7; **1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida:** Receiving 1-33; Fumble Recovery 1

#19 Jesse Kosch

Punter

6-0, 185, Jr.

Letters: One

Columbus, Neb. (Scotus)



- ◆ Honorable-Mention All-Big 12 (Coaches)
- ◆ NU Season Record for Best Punting Average in 1996 at 44.7 ypg

Junior punter Jesse Kosch (pronounced CUSH) had an excellent junior season for the Huskers. Kosch ranked third in the Big 12, and 11th nationally with a school-record 44.7 punting average. Behind Kosch's strong left leg, Nebraska's team net punting average of 41.0 ranks eighth nationally. Kosch broke a 15-year old school record, averaging 44.7 yards per punt this season. The previous record was 43.36 yards per punt by Grant Campbell in 1981. Kosch had a season-best 61-yard punt against Colorado State and posted his best single-game average this season at 49.0 yards per boot against Missouri. Against ASU, he saw the most action in his career, when he punted eight times for 367 yards and a 45.9 average. Kosch has averaged more than 40 yards per punt in all but two games (except Iowa State when he had just one punt for 31 yards, and Texas, averaged 39.0), more than 45.0 ypp in seven games and 40.0 or better in all but two (42.0 vs. MSU; 45.9 vs. ASU; 47.7 vs. CSU; 45.0 vs. KSU; 0 vs. Baylor—one blocked; 48.0 vs. TTU; 48.0 vs. KU; 42.0 vs. OU; 49.0 vs. MU; 31.0 vs. ISU; 45.8 vs. CU; 39.0 vs. UT). This year he has had 13 of his 44 punts go 50 yards or more, 32 go more than 40 yards and 24 times he has pinned opponents inside their 20. With a 43.0 career average on 71 punts, Kosch is on track to break the school record for career punting average of 41.75 (held by Mike Stigge, 1989-92, minimum of 60 punts). In 1995, Kosch took over the punting duties for departed junior Darin Erstad, who was the first pick in the 1995 June baseball draft (California Angels). Kosch was Nebraska's No. 1 punter in every game, except Iowa State, when the Huskers were not forced to punt. Kosch had 27 punts for 1,088 yards (compared to 84-3,426 by NU opponents) and averaged 40.3 per punt. He had a 39.9 net punting average, while the Huskers ranked 17th in net punting with a 38.1 average. He did not have a punt blocked and pinned opponents inside their own 20 on 11 of the 27 punts (41 percent). His long was 74 yards against Arizona State (the AT&T long punt of the week). In 1994, Kosch played in one game, but did not have any statistics. He redshirted in 1993. Kosch was a punter and defensive back at Columbus Scotus High School. An excellent student and a storm tracker, Kosch earned first-team Phillips 66 Academic All-Big Eight honors last year with a 3.06 GPA for the year in meteorology and climatology. For more information on Kosch, please see page 113 of the 1996 NU Football Media Guide.

Jesse Kosch's Career Statistics

Punting:

Year	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Net	Long	Bk	Inside Opp.	20
1995	10	27	1088	40.3	40.8	74	0		11
1996	12	44	1967	44.7	41.0	61	1		24
Total	22	71	3055	43.0	40.9	74	1		35

Kosch's Punting Average by Game

1995: OSU (53.0), MSU (36.0), ASU (61.0), Pacific (33.0), WSU (37.0), MU (34.3), KSU (30.3), CU (42.0), ISU (None), KU (41.7), OU (43.0)
 1996: MSU (42.0), ASU (45.9), CSU (47.7), KSU (45.0), BU (0, 1 blocked), TTU (48.0), KU (48.0), OU (42.0), MU (49.0), ISU (31.0), CU (45.8), UT (39.0)

1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida: Punts 1-36

#10 Mike Minter

Rover/Will Linebacker

5-10, 190, Sr.

Letters: Three

Lawton, Okla.



- ◆ First-Team All-Big 12 (AP)
- ◆ Second-Team All-Big 12 (Coaches)
- ◆ Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Week (vs. Michigan State), Nominee (vs. Missouri)

An incredible athlete with an outstanding football mind, Minter has had an All-Big 12 year for the Huskers. He has started every game at rover, but also spent a lot of time at Will linebacker the last two games of the season, in place of Terrell Farley. He's expected to man the rover position in the bowl game. Minter tied for the lead in the Big 12 in interceptions with five and ranked 27th in the nation in interceptions per game with a 0.45 average. He had two pickoffs in the season opener against Michigan State, one for an 84-yard touchdown, the other for three yards. In that game, he also had four tackles and earned Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Week honors. Minter also picked off a Jake Plummer pass against Arizona State and returned it nine yards. He picked off his fourth against Oklahoma in front of his hometown crowd in the third quarter and had a six-yard return to set up NU's fifth touchdown of the day. Against Missouri, Minter picked off his fifth pass of the season, setting up Nebraska's second touchdown. He had a 27-yard return on the pick to give him 5-129 on the season, with one TD. Minter also had three tackles against Missouri (two solo) and was NU's nominee for Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Week. Minter's first game at Will linebacker was against No. 5 Colorado. With just a week's practice before the game, he recorded six tackles, one for a loss, had one breakup and four quarterback hurries causing incomplete passes. Against Texas, Minter had seven tackles, two for losses and a breakup. Minter had 51 tackles on the season (15 solo), five interceptions for 129 yards in returns, six breakups, and four tackles for five yards lost. His five interceptions marks the first time since 1990 that a Husker has had more than four pickoffs on the year. Minter tied his career high with eight tackles against ASU and also had two breakups. With his two interceptions last year, he now has 7-129 pickoffs in his career, one away from the Husker top 10 in interceptions. Minter redshirted in 1992, played in every game as a freshman in 1993 at rover, started the first two games at free safety in 1994, before a season-ending knee injury. "Coach Minter" has one of the brightest football minds on the team, and while he missed most of 1994 season, he was still a valuable team member, assisting from the sidelines. He started every game in 1995, led the secondary with 53 tackles and had six breakups and two pickoffs. Minter is one of nine Huskers playing in the Orange Bowl with a sheepskin in hand, graduating in December with a degree in engineering. Minter will play in the Senior Bowl on Jan. 18. For more information on Mike Minter, please see page 114 of the 1996 NU Football Media Guide.

Mike Minter's Career Statistics

Defense	(-----Tackles-----)					Fum.				QBInt.			
Year	G/S	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	C-RBK	PBU	PI	Hry.	Csd.		
1992--Redshirted													
1993	11/0	6	17	23	1-2	0-0	2-1	0	0	0	1	0	
1994	2/2	3	4	7	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	
1995	11/11	27	26	53	2-12	0-0	1-0	0	6	*2	0	0	
1996	12/12	15	36	51	4-5	0-0	0-0	0	6	*5	5	0	
Totals	36/25	51	83	134	8-20	0-0	3-1	0	13	*7	6	0	

Interceptions: *7-129 (1-0 vs. Michigan St., 1-0 vs. Iowa St., 1995; 2-87 vs. MSU, including 84-yard TD, 1-9 vs. ASU, 1-6 vs. Oklahoma, 1-27 vs. Missouri, 1996); 1994 Orange Bowl vs. Florida State: Tackles 1 UT, 0 AT, 1 TT; 1995 Orange Bowl vs. Miami: DNP—injured; 1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida: Tackles 4 UT, 2 AT, 6 TT

#97 Jeff Ogard

Defensive Tackle

6-6, 310, Sr.

Letters: Two

St. Paul, Neb.



- ◆ Second-Team All-Big 12
(AP, Coaches)

A first-year starter, senior defensive tackle Jeff Ogard took over for Christian Peter and lined up next to Jason Peter in every game this season. At 6-6, 310, he and Peter (6-5, 285) made an impressive front force that allowed the Huskers to rank in the top seven nationally in every defensive category. Ogard started every game and recorded 34 tackles including 11 solo stops. He had a six-yard sack against Baylor and three other tackles for losses. He had two quarterback hurries, both of which caused interceptions (vs. Oklahoma and Colorado) and had three breakups at the line of scrimmage. He tipped a Koy Detmer pass against Colorado at the CU 21 that Jay Foreman returned for a TD. His other two breakups were against Michigan State and Texas Tech. His career-best tackle high was six against Texas Tech, when he also had a tackle for loss and a breakup. In 1995, Ogard backed up All-Big Eight tackle Christian Peter. Playing in every game, Ogard had seven tackles, one for a loss, two breakups, including a 19-yard interception vs. Oklahoma State and one QB hurry. He played against Florida in the 1996 Fiesta Bowl and had one hurry. A former walk-on, Ogard was a reserve tackle in 1993 and 1994 playing in seven games with three tackles. Ogard was a two-time all-state defensive tackle at St. Paul High School. For more information on Ogard, please see page 133 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

Jeff Ogard's Career Statistics

Defense	(-----Tackles-----)	Fum.	QBInt.
Year	G/S UT AT TT TFL Sacks C-RBK PBU PI Hry.Csd.		
1992--Redshirted			
1993	4/0 0 0 0 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 0 0 0-0		
1994	3/0 1 2 3 1-1 0-0 0-0 0 0 0 0-0		
1995	11/0 2 5 7 1-1 0-0 0-0 0 2 *1 1-0		
1996	12/12 11 23 34 4-9 1-6 0-0 0 3 0 2-2		
Totals	30/12 14 30 44 6-11 1-6 0-0 0 2 *1 3-2		

Interceptions: *1-19 yards vs. Oklahoma State, 1995

1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida: Tackles: None; QB Hurries 1-0

#55 Jason Peter

Defensive Tackle

6-5, 285, Jr.

Letters: Two

Locust, N.J.

(Milford Academy)



- ◆ First-Team All-Big 12
(AP, Coaches)
- ◆ NU Nominee for Big 12 Def.-Player-of-the-Week (vs. OU, ISU)

In his second year as a starter, Jason Peter is the strong arm of the Nebraska defense that ranks in the top seven in every defensive category. Earning first-team All-Big 12 honors, Peter started every game at defensive tackle and recorded 58 tackles (fourth best on the team), including four sacks, 10 tackles for loss, three breakups and 17 quarterback hurries with three interceptions caused. Peter had seven tackles vs. MSU and two for losses; a career-high 11 vs. Arizona State, including one sack and three hurries; two vs. Colorado State; three vs. Kansas State and a fumble caused; and one vs. Baylor. On the first play from scrimmage against Texas Tech, Peter caused Texas Tech's Heisman candidate Byron Hanspard to fumble. It was scooped up by linebacker Terrell Farley, who ran it into the end zone for the TD. Although he broke his hand in that game, and wore a cast for the final six games, he started the next week against Kansas and had four tackles and one sack. He had his best game yet against Oklahoma and was Nebraska's nominee for Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Week when he had a team-best eight tackles. In that game, Peter sacked quarterback Justin Fuente on the first play of the game for a seven-yard loss, then caused an incomplete pass on third down, forcing the Sooners to punt. Peter had three tackles for 15 yards lost against the Sooners (two sacks) and a breakup at the line of scrimmage, which directly led to Mike Minter's interception, and two quarterback hurries. Peter had three tackles against Mizzou and then had a great game against Iowa State and was again NU's nominee for Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Week, stuffing up the line, giving Heisman candidate Troy Davis nowhere to go. The defense held Davis to 64 yards under his average and scoreless. Peter was the team's leading tackler with nine stops. Against No. 5 Colorado, the defense again had a big day, allowing just 51 yards rushing and holding Koy Detmer to a 32 percent completion rate and 226 yards. The defense kept CU out of the end zone and Peter was a big part of the outstanding performance. Peter had a career-best five quarterback hurries, five tackles, including two for losses, and a pass breakup at the line of scrimmage. In the final game against Texas, Peter had three tackles. In 1995, Jason paired with his older brother, Christian, starting side by side in every game. Jason totaled 30 tackles in 1995, including five for 13 yards lost, one forced fumble, one breakup and seven quarterback hurries, including one interception caused. Jason's best game was a season-best six tackles against top 10 Kansas. Just a sophomore, he earned honorable-mention accolades from the Big Eight Coaches. In 1994, Jason played in seven games and recorded eight tackles. Although Jason attended Middletown South his first three years, Peter graduated from Milford Academy in Milford, Conn., and was one of the most sought-after linemen in 1993. A prep All-American, Peter redshirted in 1993. For more on Peter, see page 115 of the 1995 NU Football Guide.

Jason Peter's Career Statistics

Defense	(	-----	Tackles	-----	)	Fum.						QBInt.
Year	G/S	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	C-RBK	PBU	PI	Hry.	Csd.	
1993--Redshirted												
1994	7/0	2	6	8	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	2	0
1995	11/11	9	21	30	5-13	0-0	1-0	0	1	0	7	1
1996	12/12	17	41	58	10-41	4-28	1-0	0	3	0	17	3
Totals	30/23	28	68	96	16-57	4-28	2-0	0	6	0	26	4
1995 Orange Bowl vs. Miami:	Tackles None											
1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida:	Tackles 1 UT, 2 AT, 3 TT											

#28 Brian Schuster

Fullback
5-11, 230, Sr.
Letters: Two
Fullerton, Neb.



- ◆ **Honorable-Mention All-Big 12**
(AP, Coaches)
- ◆ **Two-Time GTE/CoSIDA Academic**
All-District VII (1995, 1996)

Former walk-on Brian Schuster started 10 of the 11 games he played this season, sitting out the Kansas game with a shoulder strain. He scored his first career rushing touchdown in 1996 against Colorado State on a 15-yard run. He totaled 46 carries for 213 yards in 1996, averaging 4.6 yards per carry and 19.4 per game. Schuster had a career-high eight carries for a season-best 51 yards vs. No. 5 Colorado, and rushed for more than 20 yards in five games (21 vs. CSU, 24 vs. KSU, 28 vs. Baylor and 29 vs. Texas). The senior also caught his first pass in the season opener vs. Michigan State (16 yards) and had four receptions in 1996 for 83 yards, including a 48-yard grab against Baylor. A key member on Husker special teams, he had two tackles this season. In 1995, Schuster played in all 11 games behind starter Jeff Makovicka and carried 28 times for 246 yards. He was the only Husker running back who did not get tagged for any yards lost among the top three units. Schuster earned more than 40 yards in a game three times in 1995, with 3-47 vs. Pacific, 5-42 vs. Washington State and 1-55 vs. Iowa State, a career-long run and a career-best total in yards. He averaged an outstanding 8.8 yards per carry and 22.3 per game and also had four tackles on special teams. In 1994, Schuster was the backup fullback behind senior Cory Schlesinger and junior Jeff Makovicka. Despite being a backup, his 7.5 yards per carry, along with Tommie Frazier's 7.5 ypc, was the best on the team for those with at least 10 carries. On 13 attempts, he gained 98 yards with a long of 33 vs. Texas Tech. His season best was a 37-yard day against the Red Raiders. Also a member of special teams, Schuster had one tackle, playing in all 12 games. In 1993, Schuster played in one game and had one carry for seven yards against North Texas. Schuster is a two-time member of the Phillips 66 Academic Honor Roll, and in 1995 and 1996 was named to the GTE/CoSIDA All-District VII team. He was named a second-team Academic All-American in 1995 with a 3.37 cumulative GPA in pre-education. Brian and his wife Chelsea have two children, a daughter Samantha (1) and Ryan, born two days before the Big 12 Playoff game (Dec. 5, 1996). Schuster will represent the Huskers playing in the Hula Bowl on Jan. 19. For more information on Brian Schuster, please see page 116 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

Brian Schuster's Career Statistics

Rushing

Year	G/S	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	Y/A	Y/G	LP	TDs
1992--Redshirted									
1993	1/0	1	7	0	7	7.0	7.0	7 (UNT)	0
1994	12/0	13	99	1	98	7.5	8.2	33 (TTU)	0
1995	11/0	28	246	0	246	8.8	22.4	55 (ISU)	0
1996	11/10	46	215	2	213	4.6	19.4	21 (CU)	1
Totals	35/10	88	567	3	564	6.4	16.1	55 (ISU)	1

Tackles: 0 UT, 1 AT, 1 TT in 1994; 1 UT, 3 AT, 4 TT in 1995; 2 UT, 0 AT, 2 TT in 1996

1995 Orange Bowl vs. Miami: Played on special teams, no tackles

1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida: Rushing 1-4

#16 Eric Stokes

Free Safety
5-11, 195, Sr.
Letters: Three
Lincoln, Neb. (East)



- ◆ **Honorable-Mention All-Big 12**
(AP, Coaches)

A gifted athlete and intelligent player, Stokes' versatility has caused him to move around in the secondary every year for the Huskers. This season alone he has started every game at free safety, but has spent considerable time at rover the last two games when Mike Minter moved to Will linebacker. He also saw a lot of time at cornerback this season, particularly early in the year when Michael Booker and Mike Fullman were battling injuries. Each of the past four years, Stokes has played at least two positions, switching freely from both corner spots to free safety. Stokes is expected to stay at free in the bowl game, as Octavious McFarlin moves to Will and Minter stays at rover. A first-team academic All-Big Eight honoree in 1995 (the Big 12 did not compile a team in 1996), Stokes picks things up quickly and has been key to the success in the secondary. Stokes finished sixth on the team in tackles with 45 (22 solo) and had two tackles for losses, one interception, five breakups and one quarterback hurry. His best tackle day this year was a career-high 11 stops against Arizona State, when he also had a breakup. The senior from Lincoln, Neb., had a career-best two breakups against No. 5 Colorado and a tackle for loss in the 17-12 win. Stokes' interception was in the final game against Texas in the end zone, which prevented Texas from scoring a second touchdown in the first quarter. Nebraska converted the pickoff to a TD to tie the score at 7-7. It was Stokes' second career pickoff, third if you count the one he had against Florida in the Fiesta Bowl last year. Stokes redshirted in 1992, played in 10 games in 1993 with a 34-yard interception against North Texas, played in 12 games in 1994 with 36 tackles, and played in all 12 games last year with 18 tackles. He now has 10 breakups in his career. Stokes is one of nine Huskers playing in the Orange Bowl with a sheepskin in hand, as he graduated in August of 1996 with a degree in sociology. For more information on Eric Stokes, please see page 117 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

Eric Stokes' Career Statistics

Defense (-----Tackles-----)						Fum.		QBInt.		
Year	G/S	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	C-RBK	PBU	PI	Hry.Csd.
1992 -- Redshirted										
1993	10/0	6	3	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1 *	0 0
1994	12/0	12	24	36	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0 0 0
1995	11/2	7	11	18	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0 0 0
1996	12/12	22	23	45	2-2	0-0	0-0	0	5 *	1 0
Totals	45/14	47	61	108	2-2	0-0	0-0	0	10 *	1 0

***Interceptions:** 2-34 (1-34 yards vs. North Texas, 1993, 1-0 vs. Texas, 1996)

1995 Orange Bowl vs. Miami: Tackles, 1 UT, 0 AT, 1 TT

1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida: Tackles 0 UT, 2 AT, 2 TT; Interception 1-11 yards; PBU 1

#91 Ryan Terwilliger

Will Linebacker

6-5, 225, Sr.

Letters: Three

Grant, Neb.



Ryan Terwilliger is an experienced senior who has played in every game at Will linebacker this season, with the exception of Kansas State. He did not make that trip because of a lower back injury. Terwilliger started the first three games and the last two in place of Terrell Farley and is expected to start at Will against Virginia Tech. On the season, Terwilliger had 20 tackles (five solo) including one seven-yard sack and a fumble caused vs. Oklahoma and another tackle for a three-yard loss against Michigan State. He also had two quarterback hurries. His season best was six tackles (and a quarterback hurry) against Arizona State. After redshirting in 1992, Terwilliger played in six games and made two tackles in 1993. He backed up Ed Stewart in 1994 and played in every game. He had 19 tackles, including two sacks. He started the first six games in 1995, and played in all 12 games, recording 35 tackles, including 4-6 TFL. Terwilliger had a career-high seven tackles three times, vs. Kansas in 1994 and vs. Arizona State and Missouri in 1995. He played in the last two bowl games for NU, as the Huskers defeated Miami, 24-17, and Florida, 62-24, to win back-to-back national championships. Terwilliger is a two-time GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-District VII honoree and earned first-team academic All-Big Eight honors last year. Terwilliger was the Class C-1 Nebraska defensive Player-of-the-Year in 1991 for Grant High. For more information on Ryan Terwilliger, please see page 118 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

Ryan Terwilliger's Career Statistics

Defense	(-----Tackles-----)					Fum.				QBInt.			
Year	G/S	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	C-RBK	PBU	PI	Hry.	Csd.		
1992--Redshirted													
1993	6/0	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	
1994	12/0	8	11	19	3-14	2-8	0-0	0	0	0	2	0	
1995	11/6	18	17	35	4-6	0-0	1-0	0	0	0	4	0	
1996	11/5	5	15	20	2-10	1-7	1-0	0	0	0	2	0	
Totals	40/11	31	45	76	9-30	3-15	2-0	0	0	0	6	0	

1995 Orange Bowl vs. Miami: Tackles 0 UT, 1 AT, 1 TT

1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida: Tackles 0 UT, 1 AT, 1 TT

#25 Jon Vedral

Wingback

5-11, 205, Sr.

Letters: Two

Gregory, S.D.



◆ Honorable-Mention All-Big 12 (Coaches)

Senior wingback Jon Vedral was second only to split end Brendan Holbein in receptions and reception yards for the Huskers in 1996. Vedral played in all 12 games, started 11 and had 20 catches for 300 yards, including a 10-yard TD vs. Oklahoma. He had a career-best day against the Sooners, catching four passes for 49 yards. All four of his catches were for first downs and his last gave the Huskers a 38-0 lead on his 10-yard TD catch with 1:05 remaining in the third quarter. He had a career-long catch of 41 yards against Baylor and had at least one catch in every game except Iowa State, ending a string of 22 consecutive games in which Vedral had at least one reception. He had multiple catches in five games with two vs. Michigan State, Colorado State (career best 53 yards), Texas Tech and Missouri. He had 4-49 vs. Oklahoma, and 3-35 vs. Texas. He is also the holder on PATs and field goals and completed a two-point conversion pass to Joel Makovicka vs. Iowa State. Vedral had his first rush for an 11-yard first down against No. 5 Colorado on a fake field goal. In 1995, Vedral was the holder on PATs and field goals, a member of the kickoff team, and a key receiver as well. He scored seven times with only five of those on pass receptions. His first career touchdown was just the second catch of his career, a five-yard grab against Oklahoma State. Against Arizona State, he scored on a 27-yard reception. Against Kansas State, Vedral recovered an NU offensive fumble in the end zone for a score and also scored in that game on a 32-yard pass. He caught a seven-yard TD against Colorado and against Kansas after Nebraska's first possession, he recovered Isaac Byrd's fumbled punt in the end zone to allow Nebraska to jump out to a 7-0 lead. His last TD of the season was a 38-yard reception that gave NU a 30-0 advantage over Oklahoma. In receiving, Vedral totaled 14 catches for 272 yards and five scores. Vedral played in all 11 games and started one as he and starter Clester Johnson alternated at wingback. He also had one special team tackle in 1995 to go along with his team-high 11 in 1994. Vedral caught one five-yard pass in the 1996 Fiesta Bowl. As a sophomore in 1994, Vedral caught one pass for a seven-yard gain against Pacific, but also got some action passing. Against Oklahoma State, on a bad snap, he scrambled around, then completed a difficult pass to place-kicker Darin Erstad. He also completed a five-yard pass against the Cowboys to Jeff Makovicka on a fake field goal attempt. Vedral played in the 1995 Federal Express Orange Bowl but did not have any receptions. In 1993, Vedral played in three games, with no stats, after redshirting as a freshman walk-on in 1992. From Gregory, S.D., Jon's older brother, Mike, was a tight end for the Huskers from 1990-92. Vedral graduated on Dec. 21, 1996 with a degree in education. For more information on Vedral, see page 140 of the 1995 NU Football Media Guide.

Jon Vedral's Career Statistics -- Receiving

Year	G/S	No.	Yds.	Avg.	LP	TDs
1992--Redshirted						
1993	3/0	0	0	0.0	0	0
1994	12/0	1	7	7.0	7	0
1995	11/1	14	272	19.4	38 (OU)	5
1996	12/11	20	300	15.0	41 (Bay.)	1
Total	38/12	35	579	16.5	41 (Bay.)	6

Tackles: 6 UT, 5 AT, 11 TT in 1994; 1 UT, 0 AT, 1 TT in 1995

Fumble Recoveries: 1 offensive rushing for TD in 1995, 1 fumbled punt for TD in 1995; Passing: 1-1 for 5 yards in 1994, 1-1 Extra Point Pass in 1994; 1995 Orange Bowl vs. Miami: Receiving none

1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida: Receiving 1-5

#28 Jamel Williams

Sam Linebacker

6-2, 210, Sr.

Letters: Two

Merrillville, Ind.



- ◆ Butkus Watch List Member
- ◆ Second-Team All-Big 12 (AP)
- ◆ Honorable-Mention All-Big 12 (Coaches)
- ◆ Nebraska Nominee for Big 12 Defensive-Player-of-the-Week (vs. Arizona State, Texas)

Left off the initial Butkus Watch List, Sam linebacker Jamel Williams was quickly added after leading the team in tackles the first two games. He had 13 stops against Michigan State with three tackles for loss, and 17 against Arizona State with two sacks. The career-high 17 tackles was the most by a Husker since Mike Knox in 1983, and five short of the Nebraska school record. He had seven tackles vs. Colorado State, and a 29-yard interception return; five vs. Kansas State; led the team with eight against Baylor, two for losses; had seven against Oklahoma; tied for the team lead with seven against Missouri; had four vs. Iowa State; nine against No. 5 Colorado including one sack, an interception and two tackles for loss; and led the team for the fifth time this season with 11 vs. Texas with one tackle for loss and two hurries. Williams led the team in tackles with 97, solo tackles with 36, and had 12 tackles for 54 yards lost, including five sacks, and two breakups. He also had three interceptions for 49 yards in returns recording his second against Iowa State (returned 15 yards), and a game-saver vs. No. 5 Colorado. That pickoff came with 7:11 remaining in the fourth quarter on the Nebraska 21 with a 17-12 Husker advantage. Despite his incredible numbers and big-game performances, Williams was shut out of first-team All-Big 12 honors, but earned second-team by the Associated Press. Starting every game at Sam linebacker, he gives the Huskers incredible speed at the linebacker position. At 6-2, 210, Williams is built like a defensive back and has the seventh-best 40-yard dash time on the team with a 4.51 clocking. He placed sixth at the Big Eight Outdoor Track and Field Championships in 1995 with a 10.52 in the 100 meters. In 1995, Williams played every game, starting first at Will linebacker, then utilizing his speed at Sam linebacker. Despite not starting a single game, Williams shared time with Jay Foreman and was utilized in pass situations. Williams was third on the team in tackles with 47, including 22 solo stops. He had six tackles for 27 yards lost, one forced fumble, one interception, two breakups, one 10-yard sack and four quarterback hurries. His interception featured a 36-yard return for a TD to give NU a 10-0 lead against the Oklahoma Sooners on OU's first possession. His sack was a 10-yarder against Missouri while he had a season-high two tackles for eight yards lost against Kansas. Williams had double-figures in tackles twice, against two top 10 teams--Colorado and Kansas, with 10 against each. His breakups were against Big Eight foes Colorado and Oklahoma. Williams played in 10 games in 1994 and recorded six tackles. He began the season as a rover, but moved to Will linebacker midway through the year, where he served as a backup to Ed Stewart and Ryan Terwilliger. He had a season-best three tackles against Pacific. Williams and fellow newcomer Michael Booker were both first-year sophomores in the NU secondary. Williams, a blue-chip prep All-American was all-everything at Merrillville High School in Indiana before knee surgery. Williams is one of four Huskers who will play in the Senior Bowl on Jan. 18 (also Jared Tomich, Mike Minter and Chris Dishman). For more information on Williams, see page 145 of the 1995 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

Jamel Williams' Career Statistics

Defense	(Tackles)	Fum.	QBInt.
Year	G/S UT AT TT TFL Sacks C-RBK PBU PI Hry.Csd.		
1994	10/0 5 1 6 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 0 0 0 0		
1995	11/0 22 25 47 6-27 1-10 1-0 0 2 *1 4 0		
1996	12/12 36 61 97 12-54 5-38 1-0 0 2 *3 12 0		
Totals	33/12 63 87 150 18-81 6-48 2-0 0 4 *4 16 0		

Interceptions: *1-36, TD vs. Oklahoma, 1995; 1-29 vs. CSU, 1-15 vs. ISU, 1996; 1-5 vs. Colorado, 1996

1995 Orange Bowl vs. Miami: Tackles, 0 UT, 1 AT, 1 TT

1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida: Tackles 4 UT, 1 AT, 5 TT; TFL 1-1; Sacks 1-1 safety; QB Hurry 1-0



Senior Jamel Williams led the team in 1996 with 97 tackles including 12 for losses. He also had three interceptions, five sacks, a forced fumble, two breakups and 12 quarterback hurries.

#24 Jason Benes

Free Safety

5-11, 185, Jr.

Valparaiso, Neb.

(Raymond-Central)



Benes was a contributor in 1996, playing in nine games, mostly on special teams and as a backup free safety to Eric Stokes, Eric Warfield and Eric Walther. He had two tackles on the year, one solo stop vs. Colorado State and one assist against KU. He played in four games as a sophomore in 1995 and had one pass breakup. The walk-on did not see action as a freshman after redshirting in 1993.

#27 Mike Brown

Left Cornerback

6-0, 200, Fr.

Scottsdale, Ariz. (Saguaro)



Mike Brown was one of five true freshmen who made key contributions in 1996. Brown played in 11 games (all but Colorado State) behind left corners Michael Booker and Mike Fullman and recorded 12 tackles, including eight solo stops. He had one breakup (vs. Iowa State) and one interception against Kansas that he returned for 44 yards. He had a season-best three tackles against Iowa State (two solo) and had two solos against Kansas State. The Arizona Player-of-the-Year at this time last year, Mike Brown captured the Whizzer White Award for the state's best running back and the Tyrone Byrd Award (named after the former Husker DB) as the state's best defensive back. He rushed for more than 2,000 yards as a senior, missing two games. He is the first athlete in 10 years to have earned player of the year honors on both sides of the ball as named by the Arizona Republic and the Arizona State Coaches Association. For more information on Mike Brown, please see page 146 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#14 Lance Brown

Wingback

5-11, 190, So.

Letters: One

Papillion (Papillion-La Vista)



Brown played in every game except the season opener as a sophomore in 1996, alternating with starter Jon Vedral at wingback. Brown caught five passes in 11 games for 101 yards and scored one touchdown--a career-best 41-yard grab from Scott Frost at Oklahoma. He had one catch in five different games, gaining 22 yards against Arizona State and Baylor, six vs. Missouri and 10 vs. Colorado. He also returned three punts for 17 yards in three separate games, including a long of eight yards against Missouri. A scholarship athlete, Brown redshirted in 1994, then

played in all 12 games as Nebraska's No. 3 split end and also saw time at wingback in 1995. He caught two passes for 44 yards and one TD (five-yard reception vs. Iowa State). He played against Florida in the Fiesta Bowl, but did not have a reception. Brown is a Papillion, Neb. native and was an all-state wide receiver at Papillion-La Vista High School. For more information on Lance Brown, please see page 122 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#6 Kenny Cheatham

Split End

6-4, 210, So.

Letters: One

Phoenix, Ariz. (So. Mountain)



Split end Kenny Cheatham played in every game in 1996, alternating with Jeff Lake behind starter Brendan Holbein. He earned his first career start against Arizona State when Nebraska opened in split formation. Cheatham caught seven passes for 105 yards in 1996, including a 30-yard TD from Matt Turman in the season opener against Michigan State. He tied his career best with two catches for 19 yards against Baylor and had a career-best 34 yards (on one reception) vs. Kansas. Cheatham also had three punt returns for seven yards and two kickoff returns for 100 yards, including an 85-yard score in the fourth quarter against Oklahoma. That touchdown marked the first time the Huskers had scored on a kickoff return in six years. A scholarship athlete, Cheatham redshirted in 1994, then played in the first five games last year, catching four passes for 31 yards before suffering a shoulder separation that ended his season. For more information on Kenny Cheatham, please see page 123 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#59 Josh Heskew

Center

6-3, 280, So.

Letters: One

Yukon, Okla. (Mustang)



Josh Heskew played in every game except Arizona State in 1996. He was the backup to All-American center Aaron Taylor. Heskew saw more action than the other reserve linemen, taking additional snaps when Taylor would move to right or left guard. Heskew aided the Huskers to a No. 4 national ranking in rushing (291.9 ypg), a No. 25 ranking in total offense (422.42 ypg) and a No. 4 ranking in scoring offense (42.7 ppg). He had a total of 44 pancakes on the season (4.0 average) with a best of eight vs. Kansas. Heskew played in nine games as NU's No. 3 center in 1995. He redshirted and did not see action in 1994 while recovering from arthroscopic surgery after reporting to Lincoln in January of 1994. He played both sides of the ball as a tight end and nose guard for Mustang High School in Yukon, Okla. For more on Josh Heskew, please see page 127 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#62 Matt Hoskinson

Right Offensive Guard

6-1, 280, Jr.

Letters: One

Battle Creek, Neb.



Matt Hoskinson played in every game except Arizona State as the Huskers' No. 2 right guard behind starter Jon Zatechka. Hoskinson aided the Huskers to a No. 4 national ranking in rushing (291.9 ypg), a No. 25 ranking in total offense (422.42 ypg) and a No. 4 ranking in scoring offense (42.7 ppg). He had a total of 43 pancakes on the season (3.9 average) with a best of nine vs. Iowa State. Hoskinson played in seven games as a reserve left guard in 1995, played in one game in 1994, and redshirted as a walk-on his first year in 1993. He was a four-year all-state honoree at Battle Creek High School in Nebraska. For more information on Matt Hoskinson, please see page 128 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#50 Julius Jackson

Mike Linebacker

6-0, 225, Fr.

Gainesville, Texas



Jackson played in 10 games as a redshirt freshman in 1996, recording 13 tackles, including three solo stops. He had one interception (no return) against Missouri and broke up a pass against Baylor. He had two tackles for loss on the year, one vs. Kansas (one yard), one vs. Baylor (three yards) and shared a six-yard sack with Chad Kelsay against Baylor. He also had one quarterback hurry vs. Missouri. Jackson redshirted in 1995. He was an All-America linebacker as a senior at Gainesville High School.

#88 Sheldon Jackson

Tight End

6-4, 250, So.

Letters: One

Diamond Bar, Calif. (Damien)



A gifted tight end, Sheldon Jackson played in all 12 games this season, and started two games--the season opener against Michigan State and against Iowa State. In 1996, Sheldon and Vershan Jackson backed up starter Tim Carpenter. Sheldon caught four passes for 48 yards and two TDs. His first was a one-yard grab against Colorado State, and his second was an eight-yard catch against Kansas. In 1995, Jackson saw extensive playing time, and caught six passes in 10 games for 52 yards including two TDs. His career-best day was two catches (for 18 yards) vs. KSU in 1995, while his best for yards gained was 31 (on one reception) vs. Baylor in 1996. A scholarship athlete, Jackson redshirted in 1994. Sheldon was a tight end for Damien High School in Diamond Bar, Calif. For more information on Sheldon Jackson, please see page 128 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#34 Vershan Jackson

Tight End

6-0, 245, Jr.

Letters: One

Omaha, Neb. (South)



◆ **Honorable-Mention All-Big 12 (AP, Coaches)**

A converted fullback, Vershan Jackson came into his own in the second half of the 1996 season. He played in every game and started against Colorado, when NU opened in a two-tight end set. Jackson finished as the Huskers' third-leading receiver with 10 catches for 220 yards and four TDs. Jackson had at least two catches in five games, with a career-best three catches for 57 yards and two TDs vs. Iowa State. His scores were on a six-yard pass and a 35-yard (career-long score) TD grab in the first quarter to give the Huskers 7-0 and 14-0 leads over the Cyclones. His career best in yards, was 65 (on two catches) vs. Kansas. His career-long reception, which did not go for a TD, was 41 yards against Kansas. In 1995, Vershan played in every game as a reserve tight end, catching two passes for 13 yards, including one (one-yard) TD vs. Arizona State. Jackson played in three games as a fullback in 1994, then moved to tight end before spring ball in 1995. A scholarship athlete, Jackson redshirted in 1993 after earning second-team all-state honors at Omaha South High School as a running back. For more information on Vershan Jackson, please see page 129 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#1 Eric Johnson

Will Linebacker

6-0, 205, So.

Phoenix, Ariz. (Alhambra)



One of six first-year, non-redshirt players who were key contributors in 1996, Johnson played in nine games. Johnson made the switch from cornerback to Will linebacker in the first week of practice this fall and stayed there as the two Brown (Ralph and Mike) freshmen filled the void at corner. He recorded 12 tackles (two solo) and had one pass breakup against Baylor. He had a season-best four tackles (all assists) against Missouri. Johnson sat out the 1995 season after an outstanding season at Alhambra High School. He played corner and was a two-year starting tailback. He played both strong safety and linebacker as a senior. For more on Eric Johnson, please see page 148 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#57 Chad Kelsay

Left Rush End

6-3, 235, So.

Letters: One

Auburn, Neb.



Chad Kelsay served as All-American Jared Tomich's backup at left rush end the last two years. Kelsay played in every game this year except Iowa State, which he sat out

with a knee strain. Kelsay recorded 23 tackles, including 10 solo stops. He had three tackles for 15 yards lost, 2.5 sacks for 15 yards lost (0.5-3 vs. Baylor, 1-7 vs. ASU, 1-5 vs. MSU) one fumble recovered (vs. Oklahoma) and one forced fumble. His season tackle high was four stops (two solo) in the loss at Arizona State. Kelsay was one of three scholarship freshmen from the 1995 class who saw immediate action last year. He played in all 12 games and recorded 20 tackles (13 solo), including three for 13 yards in losses. He broke up three passes, had two sacks and five quarterback hurries. He also played in the Fiesta Bowl. Two years ago, Kelsay was a two-way prep standout at Auburn (Neb.) High School. For more on Chad Kelsay, please see page 130 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#89 Jeff Lake

Split End

6-4, 210, Jr.

Letters: Two

Columbus, Neb. (Lakeview)



Junior split end Jeff Lake played in all 12 games this season as a backup to starter Brendan Holbein. Lake had four receptions for 101 yards, including one 51-yard reception for a touchdown against the Oklahoma Sooners. That catch was the longest for any Husker on the season and a career long for Lake. He also had one catch for 12 yards vs. Kansas State, one for 31 yards vs. Kansas and a seven-yard grab against Oklahoma, giving him a career-best 2-58 on the day. Last season, Lake played in nine games, catching one pass for seven yards. Lake played in five games and caught one pass in 1994, after redshirting as a walk-on in 1993. Lake was an all-conference honoree at Lakeview High School in Columbus, Neb. For more on Jeff Lake, please see page 130 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#40 Billy Legate

Fullback

5-11, 220, So.

Letters: One

Elgin, Neb. (Clearwater)



Despite a nagging hamstring injury that kept him out of three games in midseason (Baylor, Texas Tech and Kansas) and the Iowa State game, Billy Legate played a key role for Nebraska, as the No. 3 fullback behind Brian Schuster and Joel Makovicka, and as the head-hunter on kickoffs. Legate was one of the leaders for the Huskers on special teams with five tackles and rushed three times for eight yards (all against Colorado State), with a long gain of five yards. He also caught one pass for nine yards against the CSU Rams. In 1995, Legate had seven tackles and five carries for 21 yards, with a long of seven against Iowa State. His 12 yards gained against the Cyclones is a career best. A walk-on athlete, Legate redshirted in 1994. At Clearwater (Elgin, Neb.) High School, which played eight-man football, Legate was a two-time all-state honoree as a running back, rushing for more than 1,500 yards in both his junior and senior years. For more information on Legate, please see page 131 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#29 Gregg List

Rover

6-0, 195, Fr.

Valentine, Neb.



A redshirt freshman, List has been a steady contributor in his first year. List has played in 10 games this season as a backup rover and as a member of the kickoff team. List totaled 14 tackles, including 11 solo. He had an interception and a breakup (which was nearly a second pickoff) to go with his two tackles against Kansas, and had a season-best four tackles against Oklahoma. He had one tackle for one yard lost in the season opener vs. Michigan State. List's father, the late Jerry List, played for the Huskers in 1970-71-72, winning national championships in 1970 and 1971.

#45 Joel Makovicka

Fullback

5-11, 235, So.

Letters: One

Brainard, Neb. (East Butler)



Like his backup Billy Legate, Joel Makovicka was hampered by a nagging hamstring pull that caused him to sit out the Colorado State and Baylor games. He played in 10 games and earned a start against Kansas, when Brian Schuster was out with a shoulder strain. Makovicka rushed 23 times for 119 yards this season, for a 5.2 average per carry and 11.9 yards per game. Makovicka's best day rushing was against Kansas, when he had five carries for 49 yards, including a season-long run of 23 yards. He also caught three passes for 28 yards, including a long of 17 yards vs. Missouri, when he had two receptions for 25 yards. Makovicka also had three tackles on special teams, and was on the receiving end of a successful two-point conversion pass from holder Jon Vedral vs. Iowa State. As a junior, Joel played behind Schuster and his brother, Jeff, at fullback. He played in every game and had 22 carries for 185 yards, averaging 8.4 yards per carry. He scored two TDs and had a career-long run of 39 yards vs. Oklahoma State. He had a career-best day of six carries for 55 yards against OSU. He played eight-man football at East Butler High School. For more information on Joel Makovicka, please see page 131 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#4 Octavious McFarlin

Rover

5-11, 195, Jr.

Letters: Two

Bastrop, Texas



McFarlin served as Mike Minter's backup at rover for the first 10 games, then alternated with Eric Stokes at rover the last two games when Minter moved to Will linebacker. He has been practicing at Will since before the Colorado game, and will back up Ryan Terwilliger in the

bowl game and is expected to stay at Will next season. In 12 games, McFarlin recorded 24 tackles, including five solo stops. His best outing was five tackles against both Missouri and Iowa State. As a sophomore, McFarlin was Minter's backup and had 21 tackles (13 solo) and recovered one fumble. As a true freshman in 1994, McFarlin played in eight games behind Kareem Moss, recording 15 tackles (six solo) and one breakup. McFarlin was a safety, punter and punt returner at Bastrop High School (Texas) and was named to the Fabulous 55 (state of Texas) list. For more on McFarlin, see page 132 of the 1996 NU Football Media Guide.

#78 Kory Mikos
Left Offensive Tackle
6-5, 295, Sr.
Letters: Two
Seward, Neb.

Kory Mikos (pronounced MIKE-ohs) played in every game except Arizona State as the No. 2 left offensive tackle behind Adam Treu. Mikos is a member of the Husker PAT and field goal teams. Mikos aided the Huskers to a No. 4 national ranking in rushing (291.9 ypg), a No. 25 ranking in total offense (422.42 ypg) and a No. 4 ranking in scoring offense (42.7 ppg). He had a total of nine pancakes on the season (0.8 average) with a best of three vs. Kansas State. Mikos played in all 12 games last year, backing up Dishman and earned his first letter in 1994, playing in five games as a reserve. He saw action in two games in 1993 after redshirting as a walk-on in 1992. Mikos played offensive and defensive tackle for Seward (Neb.) High School. For more on Kory Mikos, please see page 133 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.



#37 Tony Ortiz
Sam Linebacker
6-0, 210, Fr.
Waterbury, Conn. (Crosby)

Tony Ortiz played as a backup Sam linebacker to Jamel Williams and Brian Shaw. Ortiz had 10 tackles on the year (three solo), including a six-yard sack against Baylor. He had a season-best three tackles at Oklahoma. Ortiz redshirted in 1995 after a stellar prep career at Crosby High School in Waterbury, Conn. He was listed as the No. 1 linebacker coming out of high school by SuperPrep in 1995. Ortiz played on both sides of the ball at Crosby High. For more on Tony Ortiz, please see page 134 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.



#8 Jeff Perino
Quarterback
6-2, 210, Fr.
Durango, Colo.

A redshirt freshman from Durango, Colo., Jeff Perino served as the Huskers' No. 3 quarterback this season, but saw limited



action. He was 0-2 passing (0-1 vs. Michigan State, 0-1 vs. Oklahoma) and rushed five times for 51 yards (none lost) with a season best of 28 yards on one carry against Baylor. He had a career-high four carries for 23 yards against Missouri. He played in seven games this season, after redshirting as a scholarship athlete in 1995. Perino was a second-team all-state QB for Durango (Colo.) High School. For more information on Jeff Perino, please see page 134 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#26 Jerome Peterson
Right Cornerback
5-7, 185, Fr.
Port Allen, La.

Peterson served as a backup at right corner behind Michael Booker. Playing in nine games, Peterson recorded six tackles, including three solo stops. He had a season-best two tackles against Kansas and his lone breakup of the year. A scholarship athlete, Peterson redshirted in 1995. As a prepster, Peterson played just two years for Port Allen in Louisiana, near Baton Rouge. He rushed for more than 2,000 yards as a senior, including 410 with eight TDs on just 17 carries vs. East Iberville. He switched to defense when he arrived at NU. For more on Jerome Peterson, please see page 135 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.



#73 Fred Pollack
Right Offensive Tackle
6-4, 310, Jr.
Letters: Two
Omaha, Neb. (Creighton Prep)

Fred Pollack is a strong athlete who holds two Nebraska position records for strength and speed. He played in every game except Arizona State in 1996. Pollack aided the Huskers to a No. 4 national ranking in rushing (291.9 ypg), a No. 25 ranking in total offense (422.42 ypg) and a No. 4 ranking in scoring offense (42.7 ppg). He had a total of 25 pancakes on the season (2.3 average), with a best of six vs. Colorado State and Kansas. Pollack is a member of the Husker PAT and field goal teams. Pollack played in six games as a backup to Chris Dishman and Kory Mikos at left tackle in 1995, and saw action in four games as a reserve in 1994. A scholarship athlete, Pollack redshirted in 1993. At Creighton Prep High School in Omaha, Pollack played both sides of the ball and was a three-year starter, earning all-state honors in 1992. For more information on Fred Pollack, please see page 141 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.



#84 Mike Rucker

Right Rush End

6-6, 250, So.

Letters: One

St. Joseph, Mo. (Benton)



Mike Rucker had one of the most successful seasons for a non-starter. He served as the backup to All-American Grant Wistrom at right rush end, but was considered a first-teamer, alternating into the game often. Rucker had a knack for making big plays once he entered. In 12 outings, he was second only to Wistrom in tackles for loss with 15-67 yards lost. Rucker combined with Wistrom for 35 tackles for loss at right rush end. He was also second only to Wistrom in sacks with 7.5 for 48 yards lost. He had one breakup, one fumble caused and recovered for a two-yard gain, and eight quarterback hurries, causing one interception. He tied his career best of five tackles three times in 1996 (vs. Baylor, Texas Tech and Oklahoma). His best game was at Texas Tech with four sacks for 24 yards lost (the best by any Husker this season) and had one hurry to go with his five tackles. He caused and recovered a Missouri fumble and returned it two yards to the Missouri eight-yard line. Nebraska converted the turnover three plays later to go up 51-0 in the third quarter. As a redshirt freshman last year, Rucker played in nine games behind Wistrom and Chad Kelsay. He had 13 tackles and one 16-yard sack against Kansas State. Rucker had a season-best five tackles against Oklahoma State in game one. In last year's Fiesta Bowl, Rucker applied a seven-yard sack to Danny Wuerffel in the second quarter. For more on Mike Rucker, please see page 136 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#74 Scott Saltsman

Defensive Tackle

6-2, 270, Sr.

Letters: Two

Wichita Falls, Texas (Rider)



Mr. Durable--Scott Saltsman has made quick recoveries from numerous surgeries, and has been a key force on the Husker defensive line. Saltsman backs up two-year starter Jason Peter. Playing in every game this year, Saltsman recorded a dozen assisted tackles and two for three yards lost. He also had one quarterback hurry. Saltsman redshirted in 1992, and played in 23 games over the last three years as a key contributor on two Husker national championship teams. He has 34 tackles in his career, and one sack. Saltsman and starting center Aaron Taylor both attended Rider High School in Wichita Falls, Texas. Saltsman is one of nine Huskers playing in the Fed Ex Orange Bowl with a degree in hand, graduating on Dec. 21 with a degree in marketing. For more on Scott Saltsman, please see page 137 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#46 Brian Shaw

Sam Linebacker

6-0, 215, Fr.

Deweese, Neb. (Sandy Creek)



Shaw played in every game as the backup Sam linebacker to Jamel Williams, the Huskers' leading tackler in 1996. Shaw had 22 tackles on the season, including 10 solo stops. A walk-on athlete, Shaw had a career-best four tackles, including three solo stops against Baylor. He had 1.5 sacks for 11 yards lost and three tackles for 13 yards lost, a fumble recovery on an Eric Warfield blocked punt vs. Michigan State for a seven-yard gain and four quarterback hurries in 1996. He had one tackle for loss against Missouri, when he had three tackles and shared an eight-yard sack with Mike Rucker. He also had a seven-yard sack against Baylor. Shaw redshirted in 1995. For more on Brian Shaw, please see page 136 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#31 Jay Sims

I-back

6-1, 220, Jr.

Letters: One

Omaha, Neb.

(West Memphis, Ark.)



Jay Sims was listed as the Huskers' fourth I-back on the depth chart for much of the season, but he saw key playing time in several games when Ahman Green and Damon Benning went out with injuries. Sims rushed 41 times for 288 yards in 11 games (played in every game except Colorado) and averaged 7.0 yards per rush and 32.0 yards per game. He had a career-best day against Oklahoma, tying his career high with seven carries, for a personal-best 98 yards. Those yards included two fourth-quarter TDs of one, and 22 yards. Sims also had one tackle on special teams. The oldest member of the Husker squad, Sims turned 25 in November. He sat out a couple of years to work, before walking on at Nebraska. Sims played in nine games last season, and had 30 carries for 270 yards (for a 9.0 average, best on the team among the backs) and three TDs. He had a career-long 80-yard TD run on his first carry at Michigan State. He had two carries for 35 yards in the 1996 Fiesta Bowl, including a 32-yard run to put NU on the Florida 1-yard line at the end of the game. Sims is from Omaha and attended Omaha Central, before graduating from West Memphis High School in Arkansas. For more information on Jay Sims, please see page 138 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#92 Travis Toline

Left Rush End

6-3, 235, So.

Letters: One

Wahoo, Neb.



Travis Toline is another excellent athlete who not only gives depth to the rush end position, but helps make it the strongest and most talented position on the team. Toline

played in all 12 games on the kickoff team and as a backup on the left side behind All-American Jared Tomich and sophomore Chad Kelsay in 1996. Toline had 15 tackles this fall, including six solo stops. He had two quarterback hurries and a tackle for two yards lost vs. Kansas, when he had a career-best six stops (two solo). Toline played in four games as a reserve in 1995, recording three tackles, including one tackle for loss. For more on Travis Toline, please see page 139 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#11 Matt Turman

Quarterback

5-11, 185, Sr.
Letters: Two
Wahoo, Neb. (Neumann)



The son of a coach and owner of a 3.6 grade point average, Matt Turman is an intelligent football player. He has served in a backup role for the past three years, first to Tommie Frazier and Brook Berringer as NU won two national championships, and this year to first-year starter Scott Frost. Turman saw action in every game except Texas Tech, Colorado and Texas. He rushed 21 times for 121 yards with just five yards lost while scoring three touchdowns. His best day rushing was 44 yards (including a career-long 45-yard TD) vs. Baylor. His season high in attempts was five (for 19 yards, including a five-yard TD) vs. Missouri. His third TD rushing was a one-yard run against Iowa State. He was not sacked, did not throw an interception and completed nine of 19 passes for 126 yards and one TD (30 yards to Kenny Cheatham vs. Michigan State). His season-best yards in the air was 40 yards against Michigan State. In the loss to Arizona State, he was 2-4 passing for 30 yards and rushed three times for eight yards. In 1995, Turman played in nine games, plus the Fiesta Bowl, rushing for 35 yards and a one-yard TD (vs. Missouri) on 13 carries. He completed 4-12 passes with two interceptions for 73 yards and one TD throw (career-long 39 yards to Lance Brown against Arizona State). He had a career-most 51 yards passing against the Sun Devils in 1995. In 1994, Turman was again the Huskers' third QB, but drew the start against nationally-ranked Kansas State when Frazier (blood clots) and Berringer (bruised ribs) were both out with injuries. Turman became the first walk-on player to start at quarterback for the Huskers since Travis Turner started two as a senior in 1985. Against KSU, Turman led NU to a 7-6 first-half lead, before Berringer took over. He also finished the second half against Oklahoma State, leading the Huskers to a 32-3 win after entering the game with a 9-3 lead. In 11 games, Turman finished with 19 carries for 80 yards with a season-best 4-37 against Pacific. He completed 6-12 passes for 81 yards with no interceptions and one TD. In 1993, Turman played in four games, completed one pass on one attempt, a 15-yard TD vs. North Texas. His one rushing attempt was also a TD, a one-yard run against UNT. Turman played for his father, Tim, as a quarterback and safety at Wahoo (Neb.) Neumann High School. For more information on Matt Turman, please see page 141 of the 1996 NU Media Guide.

Matt Turman's Career Statistics

Year	Rushing:			Passing:			Total Offense:			
	G/S	Att.	Yds.	TDs	At-Cp	Yds.	TDs	Yds.	A/P	A/G
1992--Redshirted										
1993	4/0	1	1	1	1-1-1	15	1	16	8.0	4.0
1994	11/1	19	80	0	12-6-0	81	1	161	5.2	14.6
1995	9/0	13	35	1	12-4-2	73	1	108	4.3	12.0
1996	9/0	21	122	3	19-9-0	126	1	248	6.2	27.6
Totals	33/1	54	238	5	44-20-3	295	4	533	5.4	16.2

1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida: Rushing 1-minus 2

#71 Mike Van Cleave

Right Offensive Guard

6-2, 295, Jr.
Letters: One
Huffman, Texas (Hargrave)



A gifted artist and an excellent athlete, Mike Van Cleave played in 10 games in 1996 (all except Arizona State and Texas Tech) behind starter Jon Zatechka at right guard. Van Cleave aided the Huskers to a No. 4 national ranking in rushing (291.9 ypg), a No. 25 ranking in total offense (422.42 ypg) and a No. 4 ranking in scoring offense (42.7 ppg). He had a total of eight pancakes on the season (0.8 average). Van Cleave is a member of the Husker PAT and field goal teams. He was a reserve guard for NU the last two years, playing in six games, after redshirting as a walk-on in 1993. Van Cleave played for Hargrave High School in Huffman, Texas, as a prepster. For more on Mike Van Cleave, please see page 141 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#51 Matt Vrzal

Center

6-1, 300, Sr.
Letters: Two
Grand Island, Neb.



Senior center Matt Vrzal backed up Aaron Taylor and Josh Heskew at center, and also saw action at left guard behind Chris Dishman. Vrzal was a member of the Huskers' PAT and field goal teams. He saw action in every game except the Arizona State contest this season. Vrzal aided the Huskers to a No. 4 national ranking in rushing (291.9 ypg), a No. 25 ranking in total offense (422.42 ypg) and a No. 4 ranking in scoring offense (42.7 ppg). He had a total of 16 pancakes on the season (1.5 average) with a best of three, four times. Vrzal played in all 12 games last season at center as Aaron Graham's backup. He saw action in five games in 1994, three in 1993, and redshirted as a walk-on in 1992. A super-state offensive guard, Vrzal also earned honorable-mention All-America honors at Grand Island (Neb.) High School. For more on Matt Vrzal, please see page 141 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#32 Eric Walther

Free Safety

6-0, 170, So.
Letters: One
Juniata, Neb.
(Hastings Adams Central)



Walther played in seven games as a backup free safety to Eric Stokes and Eric Warfield. Walther had eight tackles (four solo), including a season-best three (two solo) against Oklahoma. Walther played in four games last year, recording one tackle after redshirting as a walk-on in 1994. For more on Walther, see page 143 of the 1996 NU Guide.

#3 Eric Warfield

Free Safety

6-0, 195, Jr.

Letters: One

Texarkana, Ark. (Arkansas)



Eric Warfield played a key role, backing up Eric Stokes. When rover Mike Minter moves to Will linebacker, Stokes moves to rover and Warfield carries the load at free safety. Warfield has proved worthy of the challenge and has a knack for making things happen. Warfield played in all 12 games in 1996, but didn't have a start. He has 39 tackles this year, including 18 solo stops, two tackles for nine yards lost, three interceptions, three breakups, three blocked punts and one forced fumble. A hard hitter, Warfield had a career-best seven tackles against Colorado and six in the Big 12 playoff game against Texas, seeing increased playing time. Warfield's three interceptions included one against Kansas State, one vs. Oklahoma (with a one-yard return) and one in the Big 12 Championship game against Texas. He had breakups against Colorado, Colorado State, and Arizona State. In the season opener, Warfield blocked a punt against Michigan State, which Brian Shaw recovered at the MSU 16-yard line. NU scored three plays later to go up 34-0. Warfield had three tackles, the interception and a blocked punt against Kansas State. Against Missouri he had an eight-yard tackle for loss and a blocked punt, which Terrell Farley picked up and ran in for the score. It was seven of 58 points scored by the defense this year. Warfield played in all 12 games in 1995, recording 16 tackles and two pass breakups. In the Fiesta Bowl last year, he had two tackles including a 10-yard sack of Danny Wuerffel. For more on Eric Warfield, please see page 143 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#33 Sean Wieting

Wingback

5-9, 190, Jr.

Tulatin, Ore. (Tigard)



Sean Wieting (pronounced WEET-ing) served as a backup wingback but played in every game as a member of NU's kickoff teams. Wieting caught one six-yard pass against Colorado State on the season. He saw reserve action the last two years, playing in five games in 1995, and four games in 1994, but did not have any receptions. He redshirted as a walk-on in 1993. Wieting is from Tulatin, Ore., where he played for Tigard High School. For more on Sean Wieting, please see page 143 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

#29 Shevin Wiggins

Wingback

5-11, 190, So.

Palmetto, Fla. (Manatee)



Shevin Wiggins continues to improve as a wingback. Toward the end of the season, he moved up from third to second on the depth chart backing up Jon Vedral. Wiggins played in every game except Missouri, when he sat out with a thigh bruise. He caught three passes for 45 yards, including two for 30 yards (a career best), against Kansas. Wiggins was also a punt returner for Nebraska, moving up to the No. 1 return team when Damon Benning was out with an ankle sprain. He returned 13 punts for 175 yards (a 13.5 average). His average per return led the team and would rank 11th nationally if he had the prerequisite 1.2 punt returns per game (he averaged 1.083 returns per game). Wiggins had a career-most five returns vs. Oklahoma for 42 yards, but gained the most yards (43) against Colorado State, when he had a 43-yard return for a touchdown with 1:08 remaining to end the scoring and give the Huskers a 65-9 win. Wiggins also had four kickoff returns for 70 yards (17.5 average), with a career-best three for 61 yards against Colorado, when Ahman Green and Damon Benning were out with injuries. His long return in that game was 24 yards. For more on Shevin Wiggins, please see page 143 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Guide.

#99 Jason Wiltz

Defensive Tackle

6-3, 285, So.

New Orleans, La.

(St. Augustine)



Sophomore tackle Jason Wiltz played in all 12 games in 1996, recording 20 tackles. Five of those were solo stops, including a six-yard sack against Kansas State. He had a career-best three tackles three times, vs. Colorado State, Missouri and Iowa State. Wiltz also had two quarterback hurries and another two tackles for loss, giving him 3-8 on the year. In 1995, Wiltz played in three games as a backup defensive tackle behind Christian Peter, but did not have any tackles. A scholarship athlete and SuperPrep All-America defensive tackle at St. Augustine High School in New Orleans, Wiltz redshirted in 1994. For more on Jason Wiltz, please see page 144 of the 1996 Nebraska Football Media Guide.

Nebraska's Bowl Game Records

Individual Game Records

(34 Bowls...1941 Rose Bowl through 1996 Fiesta Bowl)

Rushing yards--199; Tommie Frazier, 1996 Fiesta Bowl
Passes attempted--34; Bob Churchich, 1967 Sugar Bowl
Passes completed--21; Bob Churchich, 1967 Sugar Bowl
Completion percentage--.846; Tom Sorley (11-13), 1977 Liberty Bowl
Passing yards--230; Bob Churchich, 1966 Orange Bowl
Touchdown passes--3; Bob Churchich, 1966 Orange Bowl; Craig Sundberg, 1985 Sugar Bowl
Touchdowns--4; Johnny Rodgers, 1973 Orange Bowl
Longest touchdown run--75; Tommie Frazier, 1996 Fiesta Bowl
Longest touchdown pass--52; Johnny Rodgers to Frosty Anderson, 1973 Orange Bowl; Jeff Quinn to Tim McCrady, 1980 Sun Bowl
Pass receptions--6; Tom Penney, 1967 Sugar Bowl; Bobby Thomas, 1975 Fiesta Bowl
Pass reception yards--138; Johnny Mitchell, 1991 Citrus Bowl
Pass reception touchdowns--2; Tony Jeter, 1966 Orange Bowl; Todd Frain, 1985 Sugar Bowl
Longest pass play, no TD--56; Jerry Tagge to Johnny Rodgers, 1972 Orange Bowl
Longest punt return--77; Johnny Rodgers, 1972 Orange Bowl
Longest kickoff return--92; Willie Ross, 1962 Gotham Bowl
Field goals--4; Paul Rodgers, 1969 Sun Bowl
Longest field goal--50; Paul Rogers, 1969 Sun Bowl; Greg Barrios, 1989 Orange Bowl
PAT kicks--5; Kris Brown, 1996 Fiesta Bowl
Points scored--24; Johnny Rodgers, 1973 Orange Bowl
Most Individual Passes Broken Up--3; Barron Miles, 1995 Orange Bowl vs. Miami; Tyrone Williams, 1994 Orange Bowl vs. Florida State; Michael Booker, 1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida

Team Offensive Highs and Lows

First downs--30; 1973 Orange Bowl
Fewest--6; 1955 Orange Bowl
Rushing yards--524; 1996 Fiesta Bowl
Fewest--58; 1941 Rose Bowl
Passes attempted--38; 1967 Sugar Bowl
Fewest--9; 1955 Orange Bowl; 1964 Orange Bowl
Passes completed--22; 1967 Sugar Bowl
Fewest--1; 1955 Orange Bowl
Completion Percentage--.824; (14-17), 1977 Liberty Bowl
Lowest--.111; (1-9), 1955 Orange Bowl
Passes had intercepted--5; 1967 Sugar Bowl
Passing yards--260; 1973 Orange Bowl
Fewest--16; 1974 Sugar Bowl
Total offense yards--629; 1996 Fiesta Bowl
Fewest--110; 1955 Orange Bowl
Touchdowns rushing--6; 1996 Fiesta Bowl
Touchdowns passing--3; 1966 Orange Bowl, 1985 Sugar Bowl
Touchdowns--8; 1996 Fiesta Bowl
Points scored--62; 1996 Fiesta Bowl
Fewest--0; 1992 Orange Bowl

Team Defensive Lows and Highs

First downs--10; 1987 Sugar Bowl
Most--34; 1962 Gotham Bowl
Rushing yards--Minus 28; 1996 Fiesta Bowl
Most--292; 1979 Orange Bowl
Passes attempted--13; 1941 Rose Bowl; 1955 Orange Bowl; 1972 Orange Bowl; 1977 Liberty Bowl
Most--51; 1988 Fiesta Bowl

Passes completed--2; 1979 Orange Bowl
Most--28; 1988 Fiesta Bowl
Completion percentage--.231; (3-13), 1972 Orange Bowl
Highest--.695; (16-23), 1991 Citrus Bowl
Passes intercepted--6; 1969 Sun Bowl
Passing yards--47; 1972 Orange Bowl; 1979 Orange Bowl
Most--422; 1990 Fiesta Bowl
Total offense yards--176; 1965 Cotton Bowl
Most--518; 1966 Orange Bowl
Touchdowns--0; 1974 Cotton Bowl
Most--6; 1990 Fiesta Bowl; 1991 Citrus Bowl
Points scored--3; 1974 Cotton Bowl
Most--45; 1991 Citrus Bowl

Combined Team Offensive Highs and Lows

First downs--47; 1984 Orange Bowl
Low--22; 1965 Cotton Bowl
Rushing yards--509; 1979 Orange Bowl
Low--145; 1965 Cotton Bowl
Passes attempted--70; 1969 Sun Bowl; 1989 Orange Bowl
Low--22; 1955 Orange Bowl
Passes completed--40; 1990 Fiesta Bowl
Low--7; 1974 Sugar Bowl
Completion percentage--.677; (21-31), 1977 Liberty Bowl
Low--.292; (7-24), 1974 Sugar Bowl
Pass interceptions--8; 1969 Sun Bowl; 1985 Sugar Bowl
Low--0; 1976 Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl
Passing yards--629; 1990 Fiesta Bowl
Low--108; 1955 Orange Bowl
Total offense yards--908; 1984 Orange Bowl
Low--344; 1965 Cotton Bowl
Touchdowns--11; 1996 Fiesta Bowl
Low--2; five times, most-recently 1992 Orange Bowl
Points scored--86; 1996 Fiesta Bowl
Low--17; 1965 Cotton Bowl

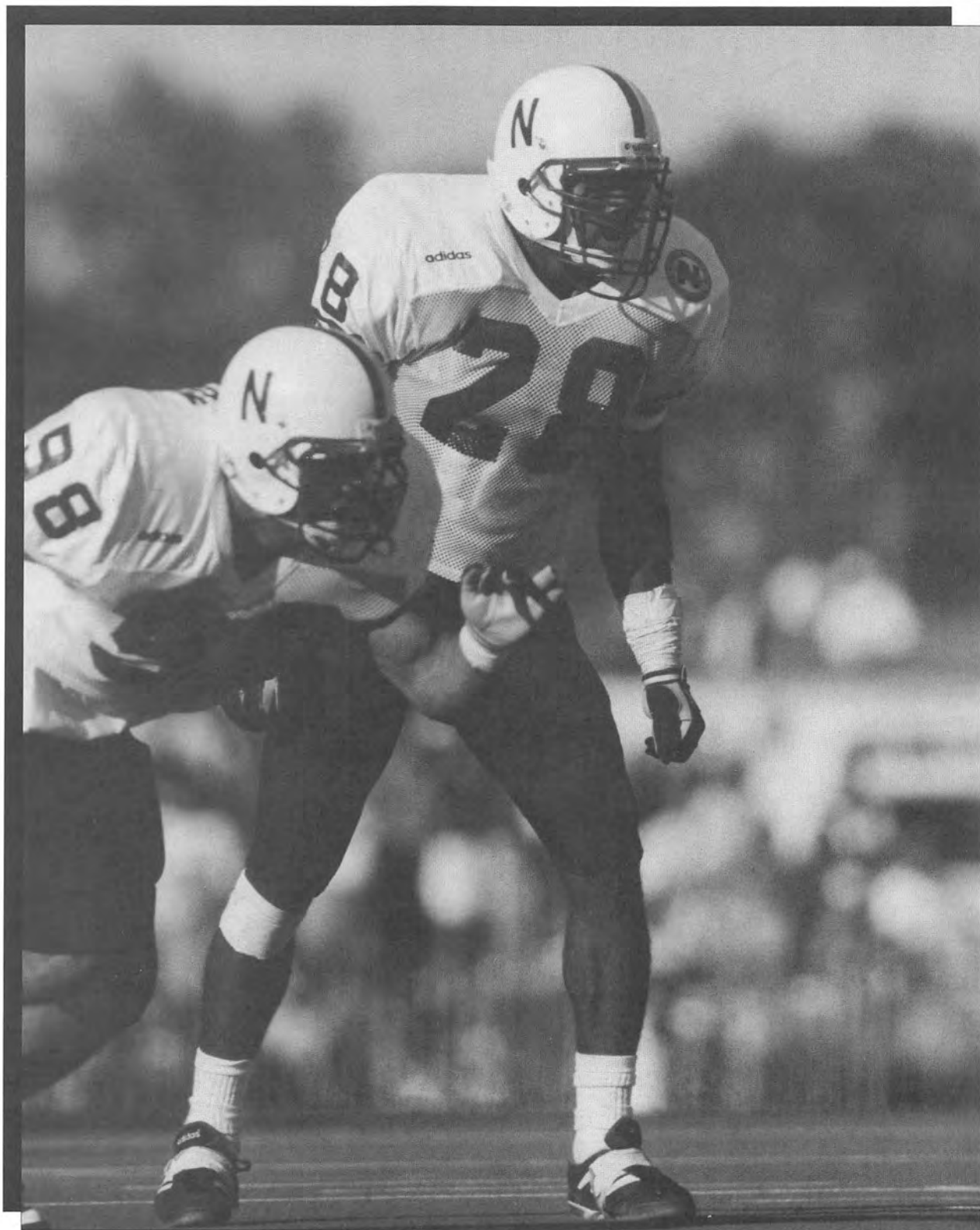
NCAA Bowl Records Held by Nebraska

Individual

Most Individual Net Rushing Yards by a Quarterback--199 (16 att.), Tommie Frazier, 1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida
Most Individual Passes Broken Up--3, Barron Miles, 1995 Orange Bowl vs. Miami; Tyrone Williams, 1994 Orange Bowl vs. Florida State; Michael Booker, 1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida
Most Individual Punt Return Yards--136 (6 returns), Johnny Rodgers, 1972 Orange Bowl vs. Alabama
Most Team Net Rushing Yards--524 (68 att.), 1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida
Most Team Points Scored Each Quarter--Second quarter, 29 points, 1996 Fiesta Bowl vs. Florida
Most Team Punt Return Yards--136 (6 returns), Johnny Rodgers, 1972 Orange Bowl vs. Alabama

Huskers Own 28-Year Bowl String

When Alabama did not receive a bowl bid at the end of the 1984 season, Nebraska took over the NCAA record for the longest current string of consecutive bowl appearances from the Crimson Tide. Alabama had appeared in 25-straight bowl games dating back to the inaugural Liberty Bowl at Philadelphia in 1959, but did not receive a bid in 1984. The Huskers, first under Bob Devaney, then Tom Osborne, have appeared in a bowl game in 28 consecutive seasons, starting with a 45-6 win over Georgia in 1969 Sun Bowl. The 28 consecutive bowls is an NCAA record.



The Husker Blackshirt defense was among the nation's best in 1996. Nebraska ranked in the top 10 in all four major defensive statistical categories. Jamel Williams was Nebraska's leading tackler with 97 stops on the year.

'96 Review

1996 Nebraska Game-by-Game Wrapup

Game #1

Nebraska 55

Michigan St. 14

Lincoln, Neb.

Sept. 7, 1996

The two-time defending national champion and top-ranked Nebraska Cornhuskers looked every bit the part in a season-opening 55-14 win against Michigan State. The Huskers got contributions from all areas, including the offense, defense and special teams. Nebraska led 27-0 at the half and 34-0 before the Spartans got on the board. In the first half, NU scored on a rushing touchdown by quarterback Scott Frost, a 62-yard punt return by Mike Fullman and an 84-yard interception return by Mike Minter. Nebraska All-America candidate Grant Wistrom added another defensive touchdown scoring on a nine-yard interception return late in the third quarter. Offensively, Nebraska gained 298 yards, including 184 on the ground, led by sophomore Ahman Green's 71 yards and a touchdown. But it was the Husker defense that did the most damage. The Blackshirts held MSU to 246 yards, intercepted Spartan quarterbacks three times and had seven sacks for 50 yards in losses. It was Nebraska's 11th straight victory in a season opener, its 26th straight win overall, 37th straight regular season win and 31st in a row at home.

Scoring Summary

Michigan State	0	0	7	7	-14
Nebraska	7	20	21	7	-55

First Quarter

NU-Scott Frost 11 run (Kris Brown kick), 8:05.



Mike Minter scored on an 84-yard interception return against Michigan State.

Second Quarter

NU-Brown 35 field goal, 11:59
NU-Mike Fullman 62 punt return (Brown kick), 10:42.

NU-Mike Minter 84 interception return (Brown kick), 3:06.

NU-Brown 24 field goal, :51.

Third Quarter

NU-Ahman Green 1 run (Brown kick), 12:24.

MSU-Josh Keur 1 pass from Gus Ornstein (Chris Gardner kick), 8:43.

NU-Brendan Holbein 35 pass from Frost (Brown kick), 2:21.

NU-Grant Wistrom 9 interception return (Brown kick), :45.

Fourth Quarter

NU-Kenny Cheatham 30 pass from Matt Turman (Ted Retzlaff kick), 11:29.

MSU-Sedrick Irvin 1 run (Gardner kick), 2:11.

Team Statistics

	MSU	NU
First downs	11	18
Rushing att.-yards	49-83	45-184
Passes	27-14-3	15-7-0
Passing yards	163	114
Total att.-yards	76-246	60-298
Returns-yards	3-44	11-248
Sacks by	1-11	7-50
Punts-average	11-38.6	6-43.8
Fumbles-lost	4-1	3-2
Penalties-yards	4-29	2-10
Time of poss.	34:28	25:32

Individual Leaders

Rushing:

MSU: Duane Golbourne 17-60-0; Sedrick Irvin 15-51-1.

NU: Ahman Green 15-71-1; Scott Frost 10-58-1; Damon Benning 8-35-0.

Passing:

MSU: Gus Ornstein 18-11-2, 133, 1 TD.

NU: Scott Frost 12-5-0, 74, 1 TD.

Receiving:

MSU: Nigea Carter 3-45-0; Sedrick Irvin 3-26-0; Octavis Long 2-61-0.

NU: Jon Vedral 2-20-0; Brendan Holbein 1-35-1; Kenny Cheatham 1-30-1.

Missed field goals: None.

Interceptions:

MSU: None.

NU: Mike Minter 2-87-1; Grant Wistrom 1-9-1.

Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

MSU: Ike Reese 3-14-17; Marvin Wright 2-6-8; three with six.

NU: Jamel Williams 5-8-13; Jon Hesse 4-5-9; Jay Foreman 2-5-7; Jason Peter 2-5-7.

Sacks:

MSU: Dimitrius Underwood 1-11.

NU: Mike Rucker 2-5-20; Williams 1-8; Peter 1-8; Grant Wistrom 1-6; Chad Kelsay 1-5; Steve Warren .5-3.

Game #2

Arizona State 19

Nebraska 0

Tempe, Ariz.

Sept. 21, 1996

Even the best have bad days. Top-ranked Nebraska found that out the hard way when it visited 17th-ranked Arizona State. A fired-up and opportunistic Sun Devil defense held the Huskers scoreless, while the ASU offense had a big first half en route to a 19-0 win that shocked the college football world. The Sun Devils set the tone early, marching the opening kickoff 80 yards for a score and a 7-0 lead. Nebraska sputtered on its opening drive and gave up a safety, which gave Arizona State a 9-0 lead. The start of the game was an omen of things to come for the rest of the evening. The Husker offense never got untracked, while ASU took advantage of its scoring opportunities. The shutout marked the first time in 51 games an NU team was held scoreless, dating back to the 1992 Orange Bowl. The loss also snapped several incredible streaks by the Huskers, including 26 straight wins overall and 37 consecutive regular season victories. Linebacker Jamel Williams was a standout in the loss, recording 17 tackles, the most stops by a Husker since 1983. Defensively, the Huskers allowed 401 total yards, but only 103 after halftime and allowed just 13 points as the Sun Devil defense recorded three safeties.

Scoring Summary

Nebraska	0	0	0	0	=0
Arizona State	9	8	0	2	-19

First Quarter

ASU-Keith Poole 25 pass from Jake Plummer (Robert Nycz kick), 11:38.

ASU-Nebraska fumbled out of end zone for safety, 10:38.



The NU defense, led by Jared Tomich (93) allowed just 13 points against ASU.

Second Quarter

ASU-Nycz 27 field goal, 8:59.

ASU-Nebraska tackled for safety, 2:19.

ASU-Nycz 44 field goal, :30.

Third Quarter

No Scoring

Fourth Quarter

ASU-Scott Frost sacked by Derrick Rodgers for safety, 6:43.

Team Statistics

	NU	ASU
First downs	13	22
Rushing att.-yards	44-130	52-109
Passes	25-8-0	36-20-1
Passing yards	96	292
Total att.-yards	69-226	88-401
Returns-yards	5-50	4-32
Sacks by	6-39	3-18
Punts-average	8-45.9	9-42.7
Fumbles-lost	6-3	0-0
Penalties-yards	5-32	4-56
Time of poss.	23:32	36:28

Individual Leaders

Rushing:

NU: Ahman Green 20-87-0; Damon Benning 6-52-0.

ASU: Michael Martin 26-77-0; Terry Battle 9-39-0; J.R. Redmond 6-30-0.

Passing:

NU: Scott Frost 20-6-0, 66, 0 TD.

ASU: Jake Plummer 36-20-1, 292, 1 TD.

Receiving:

NU: Brendan Holbein 3-26-0; Lance Brown 1-22-0; Ahman Green 1-20-0.

ASU: Lenzie Jackson 8-105-0; Keith Poole 3-68-1; Steve Bush 2-29-0.

Missed field goals: None

Interceptions:

NU: Mike Minter 1-9-0.

ASU: None

Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

NU: Jamel Williams 8-9-17; Eric Stokes 7-4-11; Jason Peter 3-8-11; Jon Hesse 2-8-10; Mike Minter 2-6-8; Jay Foreman 2-6-8.

ASU: Derrick Rodgers 3-7-10; Scott Von Der Ahe 1-8-9; Mitchell Freedman 3-5-8; Jason Simmons 2-5-7.

Sacks:

NU: Williams 2-18; Chad Kelsay 2-8; Grant Wistrom 1-7; Peter 1-6.

ASU: Rodgers 1-12; Brent Burnstein 1-3; Vince Amey 1-3.

Game #3 Nebraska 65 Colorado State 9 Lincoln, Neb. Sept. 28, 1996

Nebraska wasted little time regrouping from its loss at Arizona State as the eighth-ranked Huskers blasted two-time defending WAC Conference champ Colorado State, 65-9. After being blanked the previous week, it took the Huskers just 4:16 to get on the scoreboard against the Rams. NU marched 62 yards in 10 plays on the game's opening drive. But, the offensive onslaught was just beginning, as nine different Huskers reached the end zone. The Huskers opened a 24-6 halftime lead, then broke the game open with three, third-quarter touchdowns to take a 44-6 lead. The Rams added a fourth-quarter field goal, but NU tacked on three touchdowns to provide the final margin. Individually, the Husker offense was led by quarterback Scott Frost who paced the Husker attack, hitting on 13 of 18 passes for 143 yards with two scores and rushing for 56 yards and a touchdown on 10 carries. I-back Ahman Green also had an outstanding day, rushing for 163 yards on 22 carries, including a touchdown. Overall, the Huskers put up huge numbers, rolling up 476 yards on the ground and 628 total yards. Defensively, the Blackshirts were led by linebacker Jon Hesse, who had 13 tackles. Jamel Williams added seven stops and an interception, while NU recorded its 32nd straight home victory and the 700th victory in NU school history.



The Nebraska offense piled up huge numbers against Colorado State, gaining 628 total yards, including 476 on the ground, led by Chris Dishman and the offensive line.

Scoring Summary

Colorado State	0	6	0	3	-9
Nebraska	7	17	20	21	-65

First Quarter

NU-Vershan Jackson 3 pass from Scott Frost (Kris Brown kick), 10:44.

Second Quarter

NU-Damon Benning 19 run (Brown kick), 8:20.

CSU-Geoff Turner 32 pass from Moses Moreno (kick blocked), 3:27.

NU-Frost 4 run (Brown kick), 2:11.

NU-Brown 27 field goal, :00.

Third Quarter

NU-Sheldon Jackson 1 pass from Frost (Brown kick), 12:53.

NU-Brian Schuster 15 run (conversion failed), 11:06.

NU-Ahman Green 1 run (Brown kick), 5:50.

Fourth Quarter

CSU-Matt McDougal 27 field goal, 12:38.

NU-Jay Sims 2 run (Ted Retzlaff kick), 9:07.

NU-DeAngelo Evans 30 run (Retzlaff kick), 6:09.

NU-Shevin Wiggins 43 punt return (Dan Hadenfeldt kick), 1:08.

Team Statistics

	CSU	NU
First downs	19	32
Rushing att.-yards	30-59	70-476
Passes	31-14-2	22-14-0
Passing yards	270	152
Total att.-yards	61-329	92-628
Returns-yards	2-26	10-94
Sacks by	0-0	3-20
Punts-average	8-39.0	3-47.7
Fumbles-lost	3-1	2-0
Penalties-yards	8-48	7-63
Time of poss.	25:17	34:43

Individual Leaders

Rushing:

CSU: Damon Washington 13-44-0; Calvin Branch 12-36-0.

NU: Ahman Green 22-163-1; DeAngelo Evans 6-72-1; Jay Sims 6-64-1; Damon Benning 13-59-1; Scott Frost 10-56-1; Brian Schuster 2-21-1.

Passing:

CSU: Moses Moreno 26-13-2, 255, 1 TD.

NU: Scott Frost 18-13-0, 143, 2 TD.

Receiving:

CSU: Geoff Turner 6-125-1; Ronald Antoine 3-67-0.

NU: Brendan Holbein 3-62-0; Ahman Green 3-19-0; Jon Vedral 2-53-0; Vershan Jackson 2-13-1.

Missed field goals:

CSU: Matt McDougal, 29.

NU: none.

Interceptions:

CSU: none.

NU: Jamel Williams 1-29-0.

Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

CSU: Kevin McDougal 8-10-18; Willie Taylor 5-12-17; Adrian Ross 4-5-9; Eason Ramson 2-7-9.

NU: Jon Hesse 4-9-13; Grant Wistrom 2-5-7; Jamel Williams 2-5-7.

Sacks:

CSU: None

NU: Jared Tomich 1-7; Jon Hesse 1-7; Grant Wistrom 1-6.

Game #4 Nebraska 39 Kansas State 3 Manhattan, Kan. Oct. 5, 1996

Nebraska's first-ever Big 12 Conference game would prove to be a very important one, as the seventh-ranked Huskers traveled to Manhattan, Kan., to take on 16th-ranked Kansas State. In the first half, both defenses would dominate the contest. The Huskers jumped in front 6-0 in the first quarter on two Kris Brown field goals, but the Wildcats cut the lead in half with a field goal of their own in the second period. Nebraska put together an impressive 17-play, 80-yard drive midway through the second quarter to take a 12-3 advantage. NU closed the half with an 18-3 lead after Kris Brown added two more field goals, including a career-long 50-yarder as the first half clock expired. In the second half, it was all Nebraska as NU added three touchdowns for a 39-3 victory. The Husker Blackshirt defense held K-State in check. The Wildcats had zero total yards at halftime, 18 after three quarters and just 86 for the entire game. The defensive charge was led by linebackers Terrell Farley, Jamel Williams and Jon Hesse, who each registered five tackles. Offensively, the game was a homecoming for true freshman I-back DeAngelo Evans, a native of Wichita, Kan. The rookie made the most of his return to the Sunflower State, rushing for 168 yards on 21 carries and scoring on touchdown runs of 69 and five yards. The game marked NU's first Big 12 victory, and it was NU's 28th straight victory over the Wildcats and 24th straight conference victory.

Scoring Summary

Nebraska	6	12	14	7	-39
Kansas State	0	3	0	0	-3

First Quarter

NU-Kris Brown 45 field goal, 11:06.

NU-Brown 27 field goal, 3:00.

Second Quarter

KSU-Jamie Rheem 51 field goal, 11:36.

NU-Ahman Green 8 run (pass failed), 4:49.

NU-Brown 28 field goal, 2:48.

NU-Brown 50 field goal, :00.

Third Quarter

NU-DeAngelo Evans 69 run (Brown kick), 14:03.

NU-Vershan Jackson 21 pass from Scott Frost (Brown kick), :43.

Fourth Quarter

NU-Evans 5 run (Brown kick), 12:34.



Sophomore place-kicker Kris Brown was a key to NU's victory at Kansas State. Brown connected on 4-5 field goals, including a 50-yarder as time expired in the first half.

Team Statistics

	NU	KSU
First downs	24	8
Rushing att.-yards	68-341	24-25
Passes	17-9-1	28-8-3
Passing yards	91	61
Total att.-yards	85-432	52-86
Returns-yards	10-58	2-21
Sacks by	3-21	1-4
Punts-average	4-45.0	9-34.0
Fumbles-lost	2-0	1-0
Penalties-yards	5-44	5-48
Time of poss.	37:45	22:15

Individual Leaders

Rushing:

NU: DeAngelo Evans 21-168-2; Ahman Green 14-6-1; Scott Frost 11-35-0.

KSU: Jonathan Beasley 5-40-0; Andre Anderson 2-16-0; Marlon Charles 7-15-0.

Passing:

NU: Frost 16-8-1, 79, 1 TD.

KSU: Brian Kavanagh 19-5-2, 34, Beasley 9-3-1, 27.

Receiving:

NU: Green 2-17-0; Brendan Holbein 2-15-0; Vershan Jackson 1-21-1.

KSU: Jimmy Dean 2-25-0; Mike Lawrence 2-11-0; Kevin Lockett 2-10-0.

Missed field goals:

NU: Kris Brown, 34.

KSU: none.

Interceptions:

NU: Michael Booker 1-8-0; Ralph Brown 1-0-0; Eric Warfield 1-0-0.

KSU: Clyde Johnson 1-22-0.

Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

NU: Terrell Farley 3-2-5; Jamel Williams 3-2-5; Jon Hesse 2-3-5; four with three.

KSU: Mario Smith 5-9-14; Clyde Johnson 3-9-12; DeShawn Fogle 1-10-11.

Sacks:

NU: Hesse 1-11; Jason Wiltz 1-6; Farley 1-4.

KSU: Nyle Wiren 1-4.

Game #5 Nebraska 49 Baylor 0 Lincoln, Neb. Oct. 12, 1996

Fifth-ranked Nebraska rudely welcomed Baylor to the Big 12 Conference as the Huskers blanked the Bears, 49-0, on Homecoming Day in Lincoln. The Husker defense didn't allow Baylor a serious scoring threat the entire afternoon and extended its streak without allowing a touchdown to 10 quarters. Baylor was held to just 117 yards total offense, including 32 yards on the ground, and NU held a second consecutive opponent to less than 120 yards. Linebackers Jamel Williams and Terrell Farley were defensive standouts with eight and seven tackles, respectively. The Blackshirts harassed the Baylor quarterback all afternoon, registering seven sacks and 12 quarterback hurries. Offensively, the Huskers clicked on all cylinders. NU piled up a season-high 491 yards rushing and 669 total offensive yards. Nebraska jumped to a 28-0 halftime edge and scored in every quarter. I-backs Damon Benning and DeAngelo Evans each surpassed the 100-yard barrier, as Benning carried 22 times for 135 yards and three touchdowns, while Evans had 12 carries for 105 yards and two scores. Quarterback Scott Frost rushed for 90 yards and a touchdown and passed for a season-high 178 yards. Nebraska tied a school record with its 33rd straight home victory and posted its 28th straight homecoming win.

Scoring Summary

Baylor	0	0	0	0	-0
Nebraska	7	21	14	7	-49

First Quarter

NU-Damon Benning 1 run (Kris Brown kick), 3:45.

Second Quarter

NU-DeAngelo Evans 6 run (Brown

kick), 12:34.

NU-Evans 11 run (Brown kick), 9:05.

NU-Benning 18 run (Brown kick), 3:51.

Third Quarter

NU-Benning 5 run (Brown kick), 11:21.

NU-Scott Frost 13 run (Brown kick), 3:01.

Fourth Quarter

NU-Matt Turman 45 run (Ted Retzlaff kick), 11:48.

Team Statistics	BU	NU
First downs	11	34
Rushing att.-yards	34-32	65-491
Passes	20-10-0	17-8-0
Passing yards	85	178
Total att.-yards	54-117	82-669
Returns-yards	1-0	6-71
Sacks by	0-0	7-43
Punts-average	9-48.4	1-0
Fumbles-lost	3-0	1-0
Penalties-yards	8-55	5-68
Time of poss.	30:30	29:30

Individual Leaders

Rushing:

BU: Dexter Ford 11-57-0; Clifton Rubin 5-16-0; Elijah Burkins 3-11-0.

NU: Damon Benning 22-135-3; DeAngelo Evans 12-105-2; Scott Frost 12-90-1; Matt Turman 2-44-1.

Passing:

BU: Jermaine Alfred 20-10-0, 85.

NU: Frost 15-8-0, 178.

Receiving:

BU: Ford 3-22-0; Kalief Muhammad 2-19-0; Bradley Domel 2-6-0.

NU: Kenny Cheatham 2-19-0; Brian Schuster 1-48-0; Jon Vedral 1-41-0; Sheldon Jackson 1-22-0.

Missed field goals:

BU: Kyle Atteberry, 44.

NU: Kris Brown, 49, 34.

Interceptions:None

Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

BU: Nikia Codie 4-6-10; Rodney Artmore 6-3-9; Clarence Cruse 3-5-8.

NU: Jamel Williams 2-6-8; Terrell Farley 3-4-7; Mike Rucker 3-2-5; Grant Wistrom 2-3-5.

Sacks:

BU: None.

NU: Derek Allen 1-8; Brian Shaw 1-7; Jeff Ogard 1-6; Tony Ortiz 1-6; Julius Jackson .5-3; Chad Kelsay .5-3; Wistrom .5-2; Jay Foreman .5-2.

Game #6 Nebraska 24 Texas Tech 10 Lubbock, Texas Oct. 19, 1996

In a showdown of Big 12 division leaders, Nebraska and Texas Tech both did their best to aid the other team's cause. The fifth-ranked Huskers committed a season-high five turnovers and were flagged for 11 penalties, the most in five seasons. However, Texas Tech was unable to capitalize on Nebraska's uncharacteristic sloppy play. The Red Raiders committed three turnovers of their own, and Nebraska pulled out a 24-10 victory. It didn't take long for NU to take advantage of a Red Raider error. Heisman candidate Byron Hanspard fumbled on the first play from scrimmage, and All-America candidate Terrell Farley scooped up the ball and ran 21 yards for a touchdown and a 7-0 NU lead. The score, which came just seven seconds into the game, established a Nebraska school record for the quickest score in a game. Tech responded with a defensive TD of its own, as Robert Johnson returned a Scott Frost pass nine yards for a score. The two teams traded field goals in the second quarter and were tied 10-10 at the half. In the second half, NU overcame its own mistakes to pull away for a 24-10 victory. Offensively, NU was led by I-back Ahman Green, who carried 19 times for 76 yards. The defense was paced by Jon Hesse, who had 11 tackles, four for losses, a blocked punt and for his efforts was named Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Week. The Husker defense held Hanspard, the nation's leading rusher to 107 yards on 31 carries, more than 100 yards under his season average. The Blackshirts extended their streak without allowing a touchdown to 14 quarters.

Scoring Summary

Nebraska	7	3	7	7	-24
Texas Tech	7	3	0	0	-10

First Quarter

NU-Terrell Farley 21 fumble return (Kris Brown kick), 14:53.

TTU-Robert Johnson 9 interception return (Jaret Greaser kick), 3:31.

Second Quarter

NU-Kris Brown 39 field goal, 14:13.

TTU-Greaser 29 field goal, 3:37.

Third Quarter

NU-Scott Frost 3 run (Brown kick), 9:29.

Fourth Quarter

NU-Damon Benning 3 run (Brown kick), 8:16.



Jon Hesse was named Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Week for his performance at Texas Tech. The Lincoln native had 11 tackles and blocked a Red Raider punt.

Team Statistics	NU	TTU
First downs	13	17
Rushing att.-yards	49-183	46-102
Passes	12-4-1	30-11-0
Passing yards	55	112
Total att.-yards	61-238	76-214
Returns-yards	8-109	9-34
Sacks by	7-38	1-5
Punts-average	5-48.0	8-31.0
Fumbles-lost	7-4	5-3
Penalties-yards	11-99	4-33
Time of poss.	26:28	33:32

Individual Leaders

Rushing:

NU: Ahman Green 19-76-0; Damon Benning 4-32-1; DeAngelo Evans 6-24-0; Scott Frost 14-22-1.

TTU: Byron Hanspard 31-107-0.

Passing:

NU: Frost 12-4-1, 55.

TTU: Zebbie Lethridge 30-11-0, 112.

Receiving:

NU: Jon Vedral 2-35-0; Green 1-19-0; Evans 1-1-0.

TTU: Donnie Hart 4-39-0; Malcolm McKenzie 2-18-0; Sammy Morris 1-20-0.

Missed field goals:

NU: Kris Brown, 49.

TTU: Jaret Greaser, 50.

Interceptions:

NU: None.

TTU: Robert Johnson 1-9-1.

Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

NU: Jon Hesse 4-7-11; Terrell Farley 1-8-9; Grant Wistrom 5-2-7; Jamel Williams 2-5-7.

TTU: Jody Brown 9-1-10; Montae Reagor 8-1-9; Eric Butler 4-1-5.

Sacks:

NU: Mike Rucker 4-24; Wistrom 2-8; Jared Tomich 1-6.

TTU: Keith Cumby 1-5.



Senior wingback Jon Vedral made a diving grab against Baylor for a career-long 41-yard reception.

Game #7 Nebraska 63 Kansas 7 Lincoln, Neb. Oct. 26, 1996

For the first time in four seasons, Nebraska played host to a night game at Memorial Stadium, as Kansas traveled to Lincoln to meet the fifth-ranked Huskers. The lights just gave Kansas a better view of Nebraska's most complete game of the season. NU dominated from start to finish in a 63-7 rout of the Jayhawks. The victory was NU's 34th straight at Memorial Stadium, breaking a 90-year-old record for consecutive home victories. The Husker offense looked sharp both on the ground and through the air, rolling up 595 yards total offense. Included in that total was a season-high 273 yards passing, paced by quarterback Scott Frost's 12-16 performance for 254 yards and three scores. Frost's favorite target was senior split end Brendan Holbein, who grabbed three passes for 69 yards and two touchdowns. The ground game was led by Ahman Green, who had 12 carries for 65 yards and a touchdown, while Frost ran for two scores. Defensively, Nebraska continued to dominate its opponents. The Huskers held KU to a season-low 21 yards rushing and just 209 yards total offense, the fourth straight Nebraska opponent held to less than 215 total yards. While KU did end the Huskers' streak of 15 quarters without allowing a touchdown, the Blackshirts extended to 24 quarters its streak of not allowing a rushing touchdown to 24 quarters. With the win Nebraska improved to 4-0 in the Big 12 and 6-1 overall heading into the home stretch of the 1996 season.



Brendan Holbein had three receptions for 69 yards against Kansas, including two TD catches.

Scoring Summary

Kansas	0	7	0	0	-7
Nebraska	7	35	14	7	-63

First Quarter

NU-Sheldon Jackson 8 pass from Scott Frost (Kris Brown kick), 2:56.

Second Quarter

NU-Ahman Green 11 run (Brown kick), 14:29.

NU-Brendan Holbein 20 pass from Frost (Brown kick), 14:08.

KU-Isaac Byrd 77 pass from Matt Johner (Jeff McCord kick), 13:58.

NU-Frost 10 run (Brown kick), 10:47.

NU-DeAngelo Evans 1 run (Brown kick), 8:48.

NU-Holbein 15 pass from Frost (Brown kick), :20.

Third Quarter

NU-Frost 9 run (Brown kick), 12:29.

NU-Damon Benning 11 run (Ted Retzlaff kick), 3:05.

Fourth Quarter

NU-Josh Cobb 5 run (Retzlaff kick), 8:37.

Team Statistics

	KU	NU
First downs	9	34
Rushing att.-yards	30-21	63-322
Passes	27-14-2	18-13-0
Passing yards	188	273
Total att.-yards	57-209	81-595
Returns-yards	1-(-1)	9-96
Sacks by	0	3-18
Punts-average	9-39.9	2-48.0
Fumbles-lost	3-1	2-1
Penalties-yards	6-34	2-15
Time of poss.	25:43	34:17

Individual Leaders

Rushing:

KU: Eric Vann 10-22-0; Mark Sanders 5-8-0.

NU: Ahman Green 12-65-1; Damon Benning 9-54-0; Joel Makovicka 5-49-0; DeAngelo Evans 12-42-1; Jay Sims 5-40-0; Scott Frost 6-35-2.

Passing:

KU: Ben Rutz 18-9-2, 94; Matt Johner 9-5-0, 94, 1 TD.

NU: Frost 16-12-0, 254, 3 TD.

Receiving:

KU: Isaac Byrd 4-111-1; Eric Vann 3-35-0; Hosea Friday 3-28-0.

NU: Brendan Holbein 3-69-2; Vershan Jackson 2-65-0; Sheyins Wiggins 2-30-0.

Missed field goals: None

Interceptions:

KU: None

NU: Mike Brown 1-44-0; Gregg List 1-0-0.

Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

KU: Steve Bratten 7-6-13; Ronnie Ward 3-8-11; Brett McGraw 4-5-9.

NU: Grant Wistrom 4-5-9; Jon Hesse 5-2-7; Travis Toline 2-4-6; Jamel Williams 2-3-5.

Sacks:

KU: None.

NU: Jared Tomich 1-7; Jason Peter 1-7; Grant Wistrom 1-4.

Game #8 Nebraska 73 Oklahoma 21 Norman, Okla. Nov. 2, 1996

There was a different feel as Nebraska and Oklahoma met in 1996. For the first time, the long-time rivals were meeting as members of the Big 12 Conference and the traditional post-Thanksgiving matchup was played just two days after Halloween. However, one constant remained from recent history in the Husker-Sooner series--Nebraska domination. After a scoreless first quarter, the Huskers put up 45 points in the second and third quarters, on their way to a 73-21 rout of Oklahoma in Norman. The game marked Nebraska's sixth straight win in the series, matching the longest Husker win streak against Oklahoma. The 73 points were the most ever scored against Oklahoma and the most by either team in the storied series. The 52-point margin of victory was also the largest by either team in series history. At the start it appeared Oklahoma would make a run at upsetting the heavily favored Huskers, but Nebraska blew the game wide open. The Huskers took a 17-0 lead into the locker room and put the game on ice early in the third quarter when freshman cornerback Ralph Brown returned a Sooner pass 83 yards for a touchdown to give NU a 24-0 lead. On the day, Nebraska converted five Sooner turnovers into 31 points. NU opened up a 52-0 lead early in the fourth quarter, before both teams substituted freely. Offensively, Scott Frost passed for 163 yards and three touchdowns to lead NU, while the Blackshirt defense was led by tackle Jason Peter, who had eight tackles, including a sack on OU's first play from scrimmage.

Scoring Summary

Nebraska	0	17	28	28	-73
Oklahoma	0	0	0	21	-21

First Quarter

No Scoring.

Second Quarter

NU-Kris Brown 25 field goal, 7:57.

NU-DeAngelo Evans 1 run (Brown kick), 5:43.

NU-Ahman Green 4 run (Brown kick), 2:14.

Third Quarter

NU-Ralph Brown 83 interception return (K. Brown kick), 9:56.

NU-Lance Brown 41 pass from Scott Frost (K. Brown kick), 3:59.

NU-Jon Vedral 10 pass from Frost (K. Brown kick), 1:05.

NU-Evans 7 run (K. Brown kick), :03.

Fourth Quarter

NU-Jeff Lake 51 pass from Frost (Ted Retzlaff kick), 12:04.

OU-De'Mond Parker 34 run (Jeremy Alexander kick), 7:37.

NU-Jay Sims 1 run (Retzlaff kick), 5:03.

OU-Parker 17 run (Alexander kick), 4:10.

NU-Sims 22 run (Retzlaff kick), 2:30.

OU-Parker 51 run (Alexander kick), :41.

NU-Kenny Cheatham 85 kickoff return (Retzlaff kick), :28.

Team Statistics

	NU	OU
First downs	20	16
Rushing att.-yards	51-208	41-189
Passes	25-12-1	22-8-4
Passing yards	179	86
Total att.-yards	76-387	63-275
Returns-yards	11-148	5-11
Sacks by	5-23	1-6
Punts-average	6-42.0	10-42.5
Fumbles-lost	3-2	2-1
Penalties-yards	6-80	9-53
Time of poss.	30:46	29:14

Individual Leaders

Rushing:

NU: Jay Sims 7-98-2; DeAngelo Evans 13-36-2; Damon Benning 6-26-0.

OU: De'Mond Parker 13-151-3; James Allen 15-32-0; Eric Moore 4-28-0.

Passing:

NU: Scott Frost 22-10-1, 163, 3 TD.

OU: Justin Fuente 15-6-3, 68.

Receiving:

NU: Jon Vedral 4-49-1; Jeff Lake 2-58-1; Vershan Jackson 2-16-0.

OU: Allen 3-14-0; Mo Little 1-27-0; Parker 1-13-0.

Missed field goals: NU: none

OU: Jeremy Alexander, 41, 46.

Interceptions:

NU: Ralph Brown 1-83-1; Mike Minter 1-6-0; Jay Foreman 1-6-0; Eric Warfield 1-1-0.

OU: Terry White 1-2-0.

Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

NU: Jason Peter 4-4-8; Terrell Farley 3-4-7; Grant Wistrom 3-3-6; Jared Tomich 3-3-6.

OU: Tyrell Peters 5-4-9; White 4-3-7; Barron Tanner 5-1-6.

Sacks:

NU: Jared Tomich 2-6; Peter 1-7; Ryan Tervilliger 1-7; Derek Allen 1-1.

OU: Smith 1-6.



Jason Peter led the defense against OU with eight tackles and a sack.

Game #9 Nebraska 51 Missouri 7 Lincoln, Neb. Nov. 9, 1996

Nebraska's demolition of the Big 12 continued as the Huskers dominated the entire game en route to a 51-7 victory over the Missouri Tigers. It marked NU's 18th straight win over Mizzou, the Huskers' 35th straight home victory and 29th consecutive in conference play. Once again the story of the day was the Husker defense setting the table. The Blackshirts caused four Missouri turnovers that the Husker offense converted into 21 points and scored on a blocked punt and a safety, accounting for 30 points on the afternoon. The Husker defense narrowly missed shutting out Missouri for the second straight season. The Tigers scored on NU reserve defenders with just over two minutes remaining. In fact, Mizzou gained just 47 yards on 43 rushes and did not cross midfield until 33 seconds remained in the third quarter. Overall, the Huskers held the Tigers to 170 yards of total offense. While the Husker defense was the key, NU's offense also looked strong, scoring six touchdowns, including five in the second and third quarters. I-back Ahman Green, hampered by a toe injury for five weeks looked in top form, gaining 161 yards on 12 carries and scoring one touchdown. Quarterback Scott Frost continued his efficient passing, connecting on nine of 14 passes for 114 yards and one touchdown.

Scoring Summary

Missouri	0	0	0	7	-7
Nebraska	7	16	28	0	-51

First Quarter

NU-Brendan Holbein 14 pass from Scott Frost (Kris Brown kick), 4:47.

Second Quarter

NU-Missouri fumbled out of end zone for safety, 13:06.

NU-Frost 1 run (K. Brown kick), 4:44.

NU-Terrell Farley 9 blocked punt return (K. Brown kick), 2:23.

Third Quarter

NU-Ahman Green 56 run (K. Brown kick), 12:47.

NU-DeAngelo Evans 1 run (K. Brown kick), 7:09.

NU-Evans 5 run (Ted Retzlaff kick), 4:46.

NU-Matt Turman 5 run (Retzlaff kick), 3:49.

Fourth Quarter

MU-Jay Murchison 24 pass from John MacArthur (Mark Norris kick), 2:02.

Team Statistics

	MU	NU
First downs	11	16
Rushing att.-yards	43-47	52-299
Passes	20-10-2	16-9-0
Passing yards	123	114
Total att.-yards	63-170	68-413
Returns-yards	2-5	10-107
Sacks by	0	1-8
Punts-average	8-31.8	2-49.0
Fumbles-lost	5-2	3-1
Penalties-yards	6-69	7-44
Time of poss.	30:55	29:05

Individual Leaders

Rushing:

MU: Devin West 10-49-0; Ernest Blackwell 8-26-0; Brock Olivo 10-24-0.

NU: Ahman Green 12-161-1; Scott Frost 8-28-1; Monte Christo 2-24-0; Jeff Perino 4-23-0.

Passing:

MU: Kent Skornia 12-4-2, 45; John MacArthur 5-3-0, 48, 1 TD.

NU: Frost 14-9-0, 114, 1 TD.

Receiving:

MU: Jay Murchison 3-48-1; Rahsetnu Jenkins 2-36-0.

NU: Vershan Jackson 2-40-0; Jon Vedral 2-25-0; Joel Makovicka 2-25-0; Brendan Holbein 2-18-1.

Missed field goals:

MU: None

NU: Kris Brown, 31, 35.

Interceptions:

MU: None.

NU: Mike Minter 1-27-0; Julius Jackson 1-0-0.

Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

MU: Caldrinoff Easter 4-8-12; DeMontie Cross 7-3-10.

NU: Grant Wistrom 1-6-7; Jamel Williams 1-6-7; Octavious McFarlin 0-5-5.

Sacks:

MU: None.

NU: Brian Shaw .5-4; Mike Rucker .5-4.

Game #10 Nebraska 49 Iowa State 14 Ames, Iowa Nov. 16, 1996

Nebraska's game at Iowa State was billed as a battle between Nebraska's dominating defense and the nation's leading rusher Troy Davis. By game's end, Davis was overshadowed by Nebraska I-back Ahman Green, and the Husker Blackshirts had dominated another opponent, as NU downed the Cyclones 49-14 on a dreary day in Ames. Nebraska scored a season-high 20 first quarter points and led 35-0 before ISU got on the scoreboard. Green was the star of the day, rushing for a career-high 214 yards on 29 carries and scoring one touchdown. On the other side of the ball, the defense limited Davis to 138 yards on 34 carries, more than 60 yards below his season average. In fact, Davis had just 44 yards at the half and 83 after three quarters, before the Husker reserves finished the contest. In addition to Green's big day for the Husker offense, quarterback Scott Frost had another good afternoon, connecting with Vershan Jackson for two touchdowns. Frost also ran for two scores of his own. Nebraska finished the day with 388 yards rushing and 491 yards of total offense, while limiting ISU to just 238 yards total offense. With the victory, Nebraska improved to 9-1 overall, marking the 28th consecutive season in which the Huskers have posted nine-or-more wins. NU also improved to 7-0 in the Big 12, giving it 30 straight conference victories. The win set up a Big 12 North Division showdown with Colorado in Lincoln.

Scoring Summary

Nebraska	20	8	14	7	-49
Iowa State	0	0	7	7	-14

First Quarter

NU-Vershan Jackson 6 pass from Scott Frost (Kris Brown kick), 8:13.

NU-V. Jackson 35 pass from Frost (K. Brown kick), 4:53.

NU-Damon Benning 6 run (kick failed), :41.

Second Quarter

NU-Frost 1 run (Joel Makovicka pass from Jon Vedral), :21.

Third Quarter

NU-Ahman Green 4 run (K. Brown kick), 10:17.

ISU-Ed Williams 22 pass from Todd Doxzon (Jamie Kohl kick), 8:21.

NU-Frost 2 run (K. Brown kick), 1:35.

Fourth Quarter

NU-Matt Turman 1 run (Ted Retzlaff kick), 6:28.

ISU-Williams 2 pass from Todd Bandhauer (Kohl kick), 1:06.

Team Statistics

	NU	ISU
First downs	30	17
Rushing att.-yards	69-388	38-138
Passes	17-8-0	21-9-2
Passing yards	103	100
Total att.-yards	86-491	59-238
Returns-yards	5-25	0
Sacks by	2-26	0
Punts-average	5-44.8	1-31.0
Fumbles-lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-yards	5-63	9-99
Time of poss.	33:17	26:43

Individual Leaders

Rushing:

NU: Ahman Green 29-214-1; DeAngelo Evans 12-54-0; Damon Benning 11-45-0; Scott Frost 7-28-2.

ISU: Troy Davis 34-138-0; Todd Doxzon 4-0-0.

Passing:

NU: Frost 17-8-0, 103, 2 TD.

ISU: Doxzon 16-7-1, 95, 1 TD.

Receiving:

NU: Vershan Jackson 3-57-2; Brendan Holbein 3-33-0.

ISU: Ed Williams 4-41-2; Watley 2-35-0.

Missed field goals: None

Interceptions:

NU: Jamel Williams 1-15-0; Ralph Brown 1-0-0.

ISU: None.

Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

NU: Jason Peter 2-7-9; Eric Warfield 1-5-6; Eric Stokes 1-5-6.

ISU: Jason Brown 4-12-16; Tracy Williams 7-8-15; Kevin Hudson 4-7-11; Chin Achebe 3-8-11.

Sacks:

NU: Terrell Farley 2-26.

ISU: None.



Scott Frost passed for one touchdown and ran for another against Missouri.



Ahman Green rushed for a career-high 214 yards on 29 carries at ISU.

Game # 11 **Nebraska 17** **Colorado 12** **Lincoln, Neb.** **Nov. 29, 1996**

Colorado replaced Oklahoma as Nebraska's post-Thansgiving matchup, but the final result was a game reminiscent of many classic Husker-Sooner tilts. Nebraska needed a gutty defensive performance to hold on for a 17-12 victory over the inspired Buffs on a rain-soaked Memorial Stadium turf. Colorado used two first-quarter field goals to take a 6-0 lead on the Huskers, but NU countered with a touchdown on a 21-yard interception return by linebacker Jay Foreman. Nebraska added a second-quarter field goal and touchdown to take a 17-6 advantage into halftime. But Nebraska was plagued by turnovers in the second half, losing three fumbles to the Buffaloes. Those turnovers applied constant pressure to the Husker defense, but the Blackshirts were up to the task. NU held Colorado out of the end zone, giving CU just two second-half field goals to hold on for the five-point victory. NU's defense held Colorado to a season-low 51 yards and just 277 yards in total offense on the afternoon, while sacking CU quarterback Koy Detmer three times and hurrying him another 20. Rush end Grant Wistrom led the defensive charge with 15 tackles and two sacks, while freshman cornerback Ralph Brown broke up a school-record seven passes. On the offensive side, NU piled up 238 rushing yards, including 123



Rush end Grant Wistrom had a dominating game against Colorado. The defensive player-of-the-year finalist had 15 tackles against the Buffs as NU held Colorado out of the end zone.

yards and a touchdown by true freshman 1-back DeAngelo Evans. The victory improved the Huskers to 10-1 overall, and 8-0 in the conference. It also gave NU the Big 12's North Division title and a berth in the first Big 12 Championship game against the Texas Longhorns.

Scoring Summary

Colorado	6	0	3	3	-12
Nebraska	7	10	0	0	-17

First Quarter

CU-Jeremy Alrich 45 field goal, 11:16.

CU-Alrich 40 field goal, 2:05.

NU-Jay Foreman 21 interception return (Kris Brown kick), 6:20.

Second Quarter

NU-K. Brown 30 field goal, 5:18.

NU-DeAngelo Evans 7 run (K. Brown kick), 6:47.

Third Quarter

CU-Aldrich 38 field goal, 7:57.

Fourth Quarter

NU-Aldrich 27 field goal, 8:46.

Team Statistics

	CU	NU
First downs	14	13
Rushing att.-yards	32-51	52-238
Passes	38-12-2	14-6-0
Passing yards	226	56
Total att.-yards	70-277	66-294
Returns-yards	5-0	5-51
Sacks by	3-22	3-20
Punts-average	7-35.0	6-45.8
Fumbles-lost	0-0	5-4
Penalties-yards	9-50	11-70
Time of poss.	30:13	29:47

Individual Leaders

Rushing:

CU: Herchell Troutman 27-66-0.

NU: DeAngelo Evans 25-123-1; Brian Schuster 8-51-0; Scott Frost 12-32-0.

Passing:

CU: Koy Detmer 38-12-2, 226.

NU: Frost 14-6-0, 56.

Receiving:

CU: Brody Heffner 3-54-0; James Kidd 2-59-0; Rae Carruth 2-47-0.

NU: Brendan Holbein 2-23-0; Lance Brown 1-10-0.

Missed field goals:

CU: None.

NU: Kris Brown, 41.

Interceptions:

CU: None.

NU: Jay Foreman 1-21-1; Jamel Williams 1-5-0.

Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

CU: Steve Rosga 5-6-11; Hannibal Navies 3-7-10; Matt Russell 4-4-8; Ron Merkerson 2-6-8.

NU: Grant Wistrom 4-11-15; Jon Hesse 5-5-10; Jamel Williams 3-6-9; Eric Warfield 6-1-7.

Sacks:

CU: Russell 2-19; Navies 1-3.

NU: Wistrom 2-14; Williams 1-6.

Game # 12 **Texas 37** **Nebraska 27** **Big 12 Championship Game** **St. Louis, Mo.** **Dec. 7, 1996**

The battle for the Big 12 title came down to two schools with outstanding football traditions--Nebraska and Texas. The game provided an exciting end to a memorable first season of Big 12 football. The Longhorns surprised Nebraska, 37-27, in St. Louis, to capture the league's first football crown. The Longhorns' high-powered offense was impressive throughout the game, rolling up 503 total yards, including 353 through the air. Nebraska's offense held its own, picking up 398 total yards and 243 on the ground. Texas kicked a late field goal in the first half to take a 20-17 halftime advantage after the two teams had matched scores early in the contest. After the 'Horns took a 23-17 lead, NU took its first lead of the game on DeAngelo Evans' third touchdown run of the contest. NU extended its lead to 27-23 early in the fourth quarter, but Texas scored two touchdowns in the last nine minutes to provide the final margin. It was a disappointing loss for the Huskers. Nebraska saw its streak of 31 consecutive conference victories end along with a shot at an unprecedented third straight national title. NU did extend its streak of bowl appearances to 28, receiving a berth to take on Big East Champion Virginia Tech in the Orange Bowl.

Scoring Summary

Nebraska	7	10	7	3	-27
Texas	7	13	3	14	-37

First Quarter

UT-Priest Holmes 5 run (Phil Dawson kick), 11:25.

NU-DeAngelo Evans 2 run (Kris Brown kick), :14.

Second Quarter

UT-Dawson 49 field goal, 11:50.

NU-K. Brown 51 field goal, 8:39.

UT-Holmes 61 run (Dawson kick), 7:24.

NU-Evans 23 run (K. Brown kick), 2:23.

UT-Dawson 30 field goal, 1:00.

Third Quarter

UT-Dawson 47 field goal, 8:30.

NU-Evans 6 run (K. Brown kick), 2:11.

Fourth Quarter

NU-K. Brown 24 field goal, 10:11.

UT-Wayne McGarity 66 pass from James Brown (Dawson kick), 8:53.

UT-Holmes 11 run (Dawson kick), 1:53.

Team Statistics

	NU	UT
First downs	26	22
Rushing att.-yards	63-243	28-150
Passes	24-15-0	29-19-2
Passing yards	155	353
Total att.-yards	87-398	57-503
Returns-yards	3-7	1-6
Sacks by	0	1-5
Punts-average	3-39.0	1-43.0
Fumbles-lost	3-2	0-0
Penalties-yards	5-35	4-24
Time of poss.	39:35	20:25

Individual Leaders

Rushing:

NU: DeAngelo Evans 32-130-3; Scott Frost 18-47-0; Jay Sims 5-32-0.

UT: Priest Holmes 9-120-3; Shon Mitchell 7-16-0.

Passing:

NU: Frost 24-15-0, 155.

UT: James Brown 29-19-2, 353, 1TD.

Receiving:

NU: Evans 6-42-0; Brendan Holbein 3-43-0; Jon Vedral 3-35-0.

UT: Mike Adams 6-92-0; Pat Fitzgerald 6-73-0; Wane McGarity 3-96-1.

Missed field goals: None

Interceptions:

NU: Eric Stokes 1-0; Eric Warfield 1-0.

UT: None.

Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

NU: Jamel Williams 5-6-11; Eric Stokes 7-1-8; Mike Minter 4-3-7.

UT: Dusty Renfro 2-12-14; Tyson King 1-9-10; Chris Akins 0-8-8.

Sacks:

NU: None.

UT: Dwight Kilpatrick 1-5.



True freshman DeAngelo Evans gained 130 yards and scored a career-high three touchdowns against the Longhorns.

1996 Nebraska Final Statistics

Final Team Results: 10-2/8-1 in Big 12 Conference

Date	Opponent	Site	Television	Attendance	Result	Gametime AP Rank NU/OPP.	Final AP NU/OPP.
Sept. 7	Michigan State	Lincoln, Neb.	ABC	75,590	W 55-14	1/--	6/--
Sept. 21	Arizona State	Tempe, Ariz.	Prime	74,089	L, 0-19	1/17	6/2
Sept. 28	Colorado State	Lincoln, Neb.	Fox Sports Net	75,575	W, 65-9	8/--	6/--
Oct. 5	Kansas State#	Manhattan, Kan.	ABC	43,916	W, 39-3	7/16	6/14
Oct. 12	Baylor#--HC	Lincoln, Neb.		75,478	W, 49-0	5/--	6/--
Oct. 19	Texas Tech#	Lubbock, Texas	ABC	51,344	W, 24-10	5/--	6/--
Oct. 26	Kansas#	Lincoln, Neb.	Fox Sports Net	75,158	W, 63-7	5/--	6/--
Nov. 2	Oklahoma#	Norman, Okla.	ABC	75,004	W, 73-21	5/--	6/--
Nov. 9	Missouri#	Lincoln, Neb.		75,133	W, 51-7	5/--	6/--
Nov. 16	Iowa State#	Ames, Iowa		47,850	W, 49-14	5/--	6/--
Nov. 29	Colorado#	Lincoln, Neb.	ABC	75,695	W, 17-12	4/5	6/8
Dec. 7	Texas#	St. Louis, Mo.	ABC	63,109	L, 27-37	3/--	6/20

Big 12 Conference Game; HC--Homecoming

Score by Quarters

Team	1st/Avg.	2nd/Avg.	3rd/Avg.	4th/Avg.	Total/Avg.
Nebraska	82/6.8	169/14.1	167/13.9	94/7.8	512/42.7
Opponents	29/2.4	40/3.3	20/1.7	64/5.3	153/12.8

Final 1996 Team Statistics

	NU	Opp.		NU	Opp.
Total First Downs	273	177	Penalties/Yards	71/623	76/598
By Rush	190	63	Avg. Yards Per Game	51.9	49.8
By Pass	72	91	Fumbles/Lost	37-19	27-10
By Penalty	11	23	Total Turnovers	22	33
Total Offensive Yards	5,069	3,065	3rd Down Conversions	92/189	45/184
Avg. Per Game	422.4	255.4	Conversion Percent	49	24
Total Plays	913	776	4th Down Conversions	12/20	8/16
Avg. Gain Per Play	5.6	3.9	Conversion Percent	60	50
Net Rushing Yards	3,503	1,006	Sacks By/Yards Lost	47/304	10/66
Avg. Per Game	291.9	83.8	Time of Possession Per Game	31:11	28:49
Rushing Attempts	691	447	Touchdowns	68	16
Avg. Per Attempt	5.1	2.3	By Rush	45	7
Yards Gained Rushing	3,780	1,553	By Pass	14	8
Yards Lost Rushing	277	547	By Return	9	1
Net Passing Yards	1,566	2,059	PAT Kicks Made/Att.	64/66	15/16
Avg. Per Game	130.5	171.6	PAT Run-Pass Made/Att.	1/2	0/0
Avg. Per Attempt	7.1	6.3	Field Goals Made/Att.	12/19	12/17
Avg. Per Completion	13.9	13.8	Safeties	1	3
Attempts	222	329	Total Points	512	153
Completions	113	149	Avg. Per Game	42.7	12.8
Completion Percent	.509	.453	Season Attendance	807,941 (67,328 average)	
Had Intercepted	3	23	Home	452,629 (75,438 average)	
NCAA Rating	128.3	91.9	Away	355,312 (59,219 average)	
Interceptions By	23	3			
Yards Returned	350	33			
Avg. Per Return	15.2	11.0			
Touchdowns	4	1			
Punting Avg.	43.9	38.9			
Number of Punts	47	94			
Yards	2,062	3,661			
Had Blocked	1	5			
Net Punting Avg.	41.0	31.7			
Punt Returns	64	26			
Yards Returned	679	133			
Avg. Per Return	10.6	5.1			
Touchdowns	3	0			
Kickoff Returns	22	39			
Yards Returned	554	661			
Avg. Per Return	25.2	16.9			
Touchdowns	1	0			
Fumble Returns	5	6			
Yards Returned	32	4			
Touchdowns	1	0			



Defensive tackles Jason Peter and Jeff Ogard provided an imposing force on the Blackshirt front four.

Nebraska Starters Game-By-Game

Husker Offense

Opponent	SE	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	QB	FB	IB	WB
Michigan St.	Holbein	Treu	Dishman	Taylor	Zatechka	Anderson	S. Jackson	Frost	Schuster	Green	Vedral
@ Arizona St.	Holbein	Treu	Dishman	Taylor	Zatechka	Anderson	Cheatham*	Frost	Schuster	Green	Vedral
Colorado St.	Holbein	Treu	Dishman	Taylor	Zatechka	Anderson	Carpenter	Frost	Schuster	Green	Vedral
@ Kansas St.	Holbein	Treu	Dishman	Taylor	Zatechka	Anderson	Carpenter	Frost	Schuster	Green	Vedral
Baylor	Holbein	Treu	Dishman	Taylor	Zatechka	Anderson	Carpenter	Frost	Schuster	Benning	Vedral
@ Texas Tech	Holbein	Treu	Dishman	Taylor	Zatechka	Anderson	Carpenter	Frost	Schuster	Green	Vedral
Kansas	Holbein	Treu	Dishman	Taylor	Zatechka	Anderson	Carpenter	Frost	Makovicka	Green	Vedral
@ Oklahoma	Holbein	Treu	Dishman	Taylor	Zatechka	Anderson	Carpenter	Frost	*Lake	Green	Vedral
Missouri	Holbein	Treu	Dishman	Taylor	Zatechka	Anderson	Carpenter	Frost	Schuster	Green	Vedral
@ Iowa State	Holbein	Treu	Dishman	Taylor	Zatechka	Anderson	S. Jackson	Frost	Schuster	Green	Vedral
Colorado	Holbein	Treu	Dishman	Taylor	Zatechka	Anderson	Carpenter	Frost	Schuster	Green	** V. Jackson
Texas	Holbein	Treu	Dishman	Taylor	Zatechka	Anderson	Carpenter	Frost	Schuster	Evans	Vedral

*opened in spread formation; **opened in two tight-end formation

Husker Defense

Opponent	LR	DT	DT	RR	SAM	MIKE	WILL	LCB	FS	ROY	RCB
Michigan St.	Tomich	Ogard	Peter	Wistrom	Williams	Hesse	Terwilliger	Booker	Stokes	Minter	R. Brown
@ Arizona St.	Tomich	Ogard	Peter	Wistrom	Williams	Hesse	Terwilliger	Booker	Stokes	Minter	R. Brown
Colorado St.	Tomich	Ogard	Peter	Wistrom	Williams	Hesse	Terwilliger	Booker	Stokes	Minter	R. Brown
@ Kansas St.	Tomich	Ogard	Peter	Wistrom	Williams	Hesse	Farley	Booker	Stokes	Minter	R. Brown
Baylor	Tomich	Ogard	Peter	Wistrom	Williams	Hesse	Farley	Booker	Stokes	Minter	R. Brown
@ Texas Tech	Tomich	Ogard	Peter	Wistrom	Williams	Hesse	Farley	Booker	Stokes	Minter	R. Brown
Kansas	Tomich	Ogard	Peter	Wistrom	Williams	Hesse	Farley	Booker	Stokes	Minter	R. Brown
@ Oklahoma	Tomich	Ogard	Peter	Wistrom	Williams	Hesse	Farley	Booker	Stokes	Minter	R. Brown
Missouri	Tomich	Ogard	Peter	Wistrom	Williams	Hesse	Farley	Booker	Stokes	Minter	R. Brown
@ Iowa State	Tomich	Ogard	Peter	Wistrom	Williams	Hesse	Farley	Booker	Stokes	Minter	R. Brown
Colorado	Tomich	Ogard	Peter	Wistrom	Williams	Hesse	Terwilliger	Booker	Stokes	Minter	R. Brown
Texas	Tomich	Ogard	Peter	Wistrom	Williams	Hesse	Terwilliger	Booker	Stokes	Minter	R. Brown

Final 1996 Individual Statistics

Rushing

	G/GS	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg./ Play	Avg./ Game	LP	TD
Green, A.	10/10	155	956	39	917	5.9	91.7	70 (Missouri)	7
Evans, D.	11/1	148	791	15	776	5.2	70.5	69 (Kansas St.)	14
Benning, D.	11/1	85	487	22	465	5.5	42.3	21 (Texas Tech)	7
Frost, S.	12/12	126	578	140	438	3.5	36.5	22 (Baylor)	9
Sims, J.	11/0	41	300	12	288	7.0	32.0	49 (Oklahoma)	3
Schuster, B.	11/10	46	215	2	213	4.6	19.4	21 (Colorado)	1
Turman, M.	9/0	21	127	5	122	5.8	13.6	45 (Baylor)	3
Makovicka, Jo.	10/1	23	123	4	119	5.2	11.9	23 (Kansas)	0
Perino, J.	7/0	5	51	0	51	10.2	7.3	28 (Baylor)	0
Cobb, J.	8/0	12	43	0	43	3.6	5.4	9 (CSU)	1
Christo, M.	5/0	3	35	0	35	11.7	7.0	18 (Missouri)	0
Eicher, C.	1/0	2	18	0	18	9.0	18.0	13 (Baylor)	0
Vedral, J.	12/11	1	11	0	11	11.0	.9	11 (Colorado)	0
Kingston, B.	5/0	9	12	2	10	1.1	2.0	6 (KSU)	0
Legate, B.	8/0	3	8	0	8	2.7	1.0	5 (CSU)	0
Olmes, J.	3/0	3	8	0	8	2.7	2.7	6 (Kansas)	0
Wiggins, S.	11/0	2	7	0	7	3.5	.6	5 (Kansas)	0
London, F.	4/0	3	6	0	6	2.0	1.5	3 (Missouri)	0
Raymond, S.	2/0	1	4	0	4	4.0	2.0	4 (Kansas)	0
Cheatham, K.	12/1	1	0	16	-16	-16.0	-1.3	0	0
Nebraska	12	691	3,780	277	3,503	5.1	291.9	70	45
Opponents	12	447	1,553	547	1,006	2.3	83.8	61	7

Passing

	G/GS	Att.	Comp.	Pct.	Yds.	Avg./ Att.	Avg./ Game	Int.	Int. Pct.	LP	TD	Pct.	NCAA Rating
Frost, S.	12/12	200	104	.520	1,440	7.2	120.0	3	.015	51	13	.065	130.93
Turman, M.	9/0	19	9	.474	126	6.6	14.0	0	.000	30	1	.052	120.44
Perino, J.	7/0	2	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0.00
Benning, D.	11/1	1	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0.00
Nebraska	12	222	113	.509	1,566	7.1	130.5	3	.013	51	14	.063	128.26
Opponents	12	329	149	.453	2,059	6.3	171.6	23	.069	77	8	.024	91.90

Punting

	G/GS	No.	Yards	Net. Avg.	Inside Opp.20 Avg.	Blk	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70+	Long
Kosch, J.	12/12	44	1,967	44.7	42.5	17	0	0	12	20	11	1	0	61
Lafleur, B.	3/0	2	95	47.5	29.5	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	53
Team	1/0	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nebraska	12	47	2,062	43.9	41.0	17	1	0	12	21	12	1	0	61
Opponents	12	94	3,661	38.9	31.7	--	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	75

Receiving

	G/GS	No.	Yards	Avg.	LP	TD
Holbein, B.	12/12	23	335	14.6	*35 (MSU)	4
Vedral, J.	12/11	20	300	15.0	41 (Baylor)	1
Jackson, V.	12/1	13	220	16.9	41 (Kansas)	4
Evans, D.	11/1	12	75	6.3	22 (Texas)	0
Green, A.	10/10	9	93	10.3	20 (ASU)	0
Cheatham, K.	12/1	7	105	15.0	34 (Kansas)	1
Brown, L.	11/0	5	101	20.2	*41 (Okla.)	1
Lake, J.	12/0	4	101	25.3	*51 (Okla.)	1
Schuster, B.	11/10	4	83	20.8	48 (Baylor)	0
Jackson, S.	12/2	4	48	12.0	31 (Baylor)	2
Wiggins, S.	11/0	3	45	15.0	18 (Kansas)	0
Makovicka, J.	10/1	3	28	9.3	17 (Missouri)	0
Wills, A.	9/0	1	19	19.0	19 (Kansas)	0
Edwards, J.R.	5/0	1	10	10.0	10 (Mich. St.)	0
Legate, B.	8/0	1	9	9.0	9 (CSU)	0
Wieting, S.	12/0	1	6	6.0	6 (CSU)	0
Benning, D.	11/1	1	-1	-1.0	--	0
<u>Frost, S.</u>	<u>12/12</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>-11</u>	<u>-11.0</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>0</u>
Nebraska	12	113	1,566	13.9	*51	14
Opponents	12	149	2,059	13.8	*77	8

Total Offense

	G/GS	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg./Play	Avg./Game
Frost, S.	12/12	326	438	1,440	1,878	5.8	156.5
Green, A.	10/10	155	917	0	917	5.9	91.7
Evans, D.	11/1	148	776	0	776	5.2	70.5
Benning, D.	11/1	85	465	0	465	5.5	42.3
Sims, J.	9/0	41	288	0	288	7.0	32.0
Turman, M.	9/0	40	122	126	248	6.2	27.6
<u>Schuster, B.</u>	<u>11/10</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>213</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>213</u>	<u>4.6</u>	<u>19.4</u>
Nebraska	12	913	3,503	1,566	5,069	5.6	422.4
Opponents	12	776	1,006	2,059	3,065	3.9	255.4

All-Purpose Leaders

	G/GS	Rush	Rec.	PR	KOR	Total	Avg./Game
Green, A.	10/10	917	93	0	29	1,039	103.9
Evans, D.	11/1	776	75	0	118	969	88.1
Benning, D.	11/1	465	-1	125	191	780	70.9
Frost, S.	12/12	438	-11	0	0	427	35.6
Holbein, B.	12/12	0	335	0	0	335	27.9
<u>Vedral, J.</u>	<u>12/11</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>311</u>	<u>25.9</u>
Nebraska	12	3,503	1,566	679	554	6,684	557.0
Opponents	12	1,006	2,059	133	661	3,896	324.7

Interceptions

	G/GS	No.	Yards	Avg.	LP	TD
Minter, M.	12/12	5	129	25.8	*84	1
Brown, R.	12/12	4	83	20.8	*83	1
Williams, J.	12/12	3	49	16.3	29	0
Warfield, E.	12/0	3	1	.3	1	0
Brown, M.	11/0	1	44	44.0	44	0
Foreman, J.	12/0	2	27	13.5	*21	1
Wistrom, G.	12/12	1	9	9.0	*9	1
Booker, M.	12/12	1	8	8.0	8	0
Jackson, J.	10/0	1	0	0.0	0	0
Stokes, E.	12/12	1	0	0.0	0	0
<u>List, G.</u>	<u>10/0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Nebraska	12	23	350	15.2	*84	4
Opponents	12	3	33	11.0	22	1

Fumble Returns

	G/GS	No.	Yards	Avg.	LP	TD
Farley, T.	8/7	1	21	21.0	*21	1
Hesse, J.	12/12	1	2	2.0	2	0
Rucker, M.	12/0	1	2	2.0	2	0
Shaw, B.	12/0	1	7	7.0	7	0
<u>Warren, S.</u>	<u>8/0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Nebraska	12	5	32	6.4	*21	1
Opponents	12	6	4	.7	4	0

Punt Returns

	G/GS	No.	Yards	Avg.	LP	TD
Fullman, M.	10/0	21	250	11.9	*62	1
Wiggins, S.	11/0	13	175	13.5	*43	1
McFarlin, O.	12/0	11	73	6.6	26	0
Benning, D.	11/1	10	125	12.5	51	0
Brown, L.	11/0	3	17	5.7	8	0
Cheatham, K.	12/1	3	7	2.3	3	0
Hesse, J.	12/12	1	18	18.0	18	0
Edwards, J.R.	5/0	1	3	3.0	3	0
Warfield, E.	12/0	1	2	2.0	0	0
<u>Farley, T.</u>	<u>8/7</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>*9</u>	<u>1</u>
Nebraska	12	64	679	10.6	*62	3
Opponents	12	26	133	5.1	29	0

Kickoff Returns

	G/GS	No.	Yards	Avg.	LP	TD
Benning, D.	11/1	8	191	25.8	45	0
Evans, D.	11/1	5	118	23.6	37	0
Wiggins, S.	11/0	4	70	17.5	24	0
Cheatham, K.	12/1	2	100	50.0	*85	1
Applegate, S.	3/0	1	25	25.0	25	0
Green, A.	10/10	1	29	29.0	29	0
<u>Legate, B.</u>	<u>8/0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>21.0</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>0</u>
Nebraska	12	22	554	25.2	*85	1
Opponents	12	39	661	16.9	38	0

Scoring

	G/GS	TD	PAT1	PAT2	FG	TP
Brown, K.	12/12	0	50-51	0	12-19	86
Evans, D.	11/1	14	0	0	0	84
Frost, S.	12/12	9	0	0-1	0	54
Benning, D.	11/1	7	0	0	0	42
Green, A.	10/10	7	0	0	0	42
Jackson, V.	12/1	4	0	0	0	24
Holbein, B.	12/12	4	0	0	0	24
Turman, M.	9/0	3	0	0	0	18
Sims, J.	11/0	3	0	0	0	18
Retzlaff, T.	7/0	0	13-13	0	0	13
Cheatham, K.	12/1	2	0	0	0	12
Farley, T.	8/7	2	0	0	0	12
Jackson, S.	12/2	2	0	0	0	12
Vedral, J.	12/11	1	0	0	0	6
Cobb, J.	8/0	1	0	0	0	6
Foreman, J.	12/0	1	0	0	0	6
Wiggins, S.	11/0	1	0	0	0	6
Minter, M.	12/12	1	0	0	0	6
Fullman, M.	10/0	1	0	0	0	6
Brown, R.	12/12	1	0	0	0	6
Brown, L.	12/0	1	0	0	0	6
Schuster, B.	11/10	1	0	0	0	6
Lake, J.	12/0	1	0	0	0	6
Wistrom, G.	12/12	1	0	0	0	6
Makovicka, J.	10/1	0	0	1-1	0	2
<u>Hadenfeldt, D.</u>	<u>2/0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1-1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Nebraska	12	68	64-66	1-2	12-19	512
Opponents	12	16	15-16	0	12-17	153

Field Goals

	Season	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
<u>Brown, K.</u>	<u>12-19</u>	<u>0-0</u>	<u>6-6</u>	<u>3-7</u>	<u>1-4</u>	<u>2-2</u>
Nebraska	12-19	0-0	6-6	3-7	1-4	2-2
Opponents	12-17	0-0	4-5	2-2	5-8	1-2

Brown FG Sequence: (*35, *24): (0); (*27); (*45, *27, *28, *50, 34); (49,34); (*39, 49): (0); (*25); (31,35); (0); (*30, 41); (*51, *24).
Opponent FG Sequence: (0); (*27, *44); (29, *27); (*51); (44); (*29, 50); (0); (41, 46); (0); (0); (*45, *40, *38, *27); (*49, *30, *47). *Good.

Defensive Statistics

Player	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	Loss	Sacks	(----Fumbles----)					QB Hurry	Int. Csd.
							Csd.	Rec.	BK	PBU	Int.		
Williams, J.	12/12	36	61	97	12-54	5-38	1	0	0	2	3-49	12	0
Hesse, J.	12/12	32	53	85	11-53	2-18	1	1-2	2 (P, Pat)	2	0	3	0
Wistrom, G.	12/12	30	45	75	20-74	9,5-48	1	0	2 (Pat, FG)	0	1-9	15	4
Peter, J.	12/12	17	41	58	10-41	4-28	1	0	0	3	0	17	3
Minter, M.	12/12	15	36	51	4-5	0	0	0	0	6	5-129	5	0
Stokes, E.	12/12	22	23	45	2-2	0	0	0	0	5	1-0	1	0
Foreman, J.	12/0	10	33	43	1-2	1-5-2	1	0	0	1	2-27	2	0
Farley, T.	8/7	15	28	43	10-56	3-30	0	1-21	1 (P)	2	0	12	1
Tomich, J.	12/12	16	25	41	10-40	5-26	4	1-0	0	0	0	23	1
Warfield, E.	12/0	18	21	39	2-9	0	1	0	3 (P)	3	3-1	0	0
Ogard, J.	12/12	11	23	34	4-9	1-6	0	0	0	3	0	2	2
Rucker, M.	12/0	15	17	32	15-67	7-48	1	1-2	0	1	0	8	0
Brown, R.	12/12	15	13	28	1-1	0	0	1	0	12	4-83	0	0
Booker, M.	12/12	8	17	25	2-3	0	0	0	0	8	1-8	0	0
McFarlin, O.	12/0	5	19	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kelsay, C.	11/0	10	13	23	3-15	2,5-15	1	1-0	0	0	0	6	2
Shaw, B.	12/0	10	12	22	3-13	1,5-11	0	1-7	0	0	0	4	0
Terwilliger, R.	11/5	5	15	20	2-10	1-7	1	0	0	0	0	2	0
Wiltz, J.	12/0	5	15	20	3-8	1-6	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
Toline, T.	12/0	6	9	15	1-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
List, G.	10/0	11	3	14	1-1	0	0	0	0	2	1-0	0	0
Jackson, J.	10/0	3	10	13	2-4	1,5-3	0	0	0	1	1-0	1	0
Brown, M.	11/0	8	4	12	0	0	0	0	0	1	1-44	0	0
Fullman, M.	10/0	8	4	12	1-2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Johnson, E.	9/0	2	10	12	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0
Saltsman, S.	12/0	0	12	12	2-3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Ortiz, T.	9/0	3	7	10	1-6	1-6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Walther, E.	7/0	4	4	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peterson, J.	9/0	3	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Warren, S.	8/0	2	4	6	1-3	1,5-3	0	1-0	0	1	0	1	0
Legate, B.	8/0	1	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Allen, D.	5/0	3	2	5	2-9	2-9	0	0	0	1	0	2	0
Kohl, J.	7/0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Makovicka, J.	10/1	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Buettenback, B.	6/0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Roberts, M.	5/0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ryan, E.	1/0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jackson, V.	12/1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blahak, C.	5/0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brown, K.	12/12	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sears, K.	3/0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Benes, J.	9/0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Schuster, B.	11/10	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Treu, A.	12/12	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Holbein, B.	12/12	1	0	1	0	0	0	1-0	0	0	0	0	0
Held, R.	1/0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Turman, M.	9/0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drum, B.	4/0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sims, J.	11/0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1-0	0	0	0	0	0
Gumm, T.	2/0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bassett, C.	5/0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Macken, C.	2/0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miller, B.	5/0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zatechka, J.	12/12	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Milius, T.	3/0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
McGraw, G.	3/0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Froehlich, R.	1/0	0	1	1	1-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alderman, D.	4/0	0	1	1	1-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

*Sacks included in Tackles for Loss

Key- P-punt; PAT-Extra point; FG-Field goal.

Regular Season Games Played

(players with no statistics, listed alphabetically, games/starts)

Eric Anderson 12/12, Travis Anholz 2/0, Sean Applegate 3/0, Erick Arens 2/0, Matt Baldwin 3/0, Tim Carpenter 12/10, T.J. DeBates 6/0, Leslie Dennis 2/0, Chris Dishman 12/12, Craig Fischer 2/0, Ben Gessford 3/0, Billy Haafke 5/0, Aaron Havlovic 2/0, Kyle Henson 4/0, Josh Heske 11/0, Quint Hogrefe 5/0, Matt Hoskinson 11/0, Joe Horst 2/0, Matt Hunting 1/0, Marcus Johnson 4/0, Dave Jones 1/0, Adam Julch 6/0, Chad Kobus 4/0, Curt Lenners 2/0, Alex McClymont 1/0, Andy Miller 3/0, Fred Pollack 11/0, James Sherman 9/0, Aaron Taylor 12/12, Adam Treu 12/12, Mike Van Cleave 9/0, Matt Vrzal 11/0, Brandt Wade 5/0, Keely Watson 2/0, Jeff Wells 1/0, Aaron Wills 8/0, Brendan Zahl 3/0, Jon Zatechka 12/12.

Statistical Highs and Lows

Nebraska

	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>
Points Scored	73 vs. Oklahoma	0 vs. Arizona State
First Downs	34 vs. Baylor, Kansas	13 vs. Arizona State, Texas Tech, Colorado
Rushing Attempts	70 vs. Colorado State	44 vs. Arizona State
Rushing Yards	491 vs. Baylor	130 vs. Arizona State
Passes Attempted	25 vs. Arizona State, Oklahoma	12 vs. Texas Tech
Passes Completed	15 vs. Texas (24 att.)	4 vs. Texas Tech (12 att.)
Had Intercepted	1 vs. Kansas State, Texas Tech, Oklahoma	0, nine times
Passing Yards	273 vs. Kansas	55 vs. Texas Tech
Total Plays	92 vs. Colorado State (628 yards)	60 vs. Michigan State (298 yards)
Total Yards	669 vs. Baylor (82 plays)	226 vs. Arizona State (69 plays)
Possession Time	39:35 vs. Texas	23:32 vs. Arizona State
Fumbles	7 vs. Texas Tech	0 vs. Iowa State
Fumbles Lost	4 vs. Texas Tech, Colorado	0, four times
Turnovers	5 vs. Texas Tech	0 vs. Colorado State, Baylor, Iowa State
Turnover Margin	+3 vs. Colorado State, Missouri, Iowa State	-2 vs. Arizona State, Texas Tech, Colorado
Penalties	11 vs. Texas Tech (99 yards), Colo. (70 yds.)	2 vs. Michigan State, Kansas
Yards Penalized	99 yards vs. Texas Tech (11 penalties)	10 vs. Michigan State (2 penalties)
Sacks By	7 vs. Michigan State, Baylor, Texas Tech	0 vs. Texas

Opponents

	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>
Points Scored	37 Texas	0 Baylor
First Downs	22 Arizona State, Texas	8 Kansas State
Rushing Attempts	52 Arizona State	24 Kansas State
Rushing Yards	189 Oklahoma	21 Kansas
Passes Attempted	38 Colorado	20 Baylor, Missouri
Passes Completed	20 Arizona State	8 Kansas State, Oklahoma
Had Intercepted	4 Oklahoma	0 Baylor, Texas Tech
Passing Yards	353 Texas (29 att.)	61 Kansas State (28 att.)
Total Plays	88 Arizona State	52 Kansas State
Total Yards	503 Texas (57 plays)	86 Kansas State (52 plays)
Possession Time	36:28 Arizona State	20:25 Texas
Fumbles	5 Texas Tech, Missouri	0 Arizona State, Colorado, Texas
Fumbles Lost	3 Texas Tech	0 five times
Turnovers	5 Oklahoma	0 Baylor
Turnover Margin	+2 Arizona State, Texas Tech, Colorado	-3 Colorado State, Missouri, Iowa State
Penalties	9 Oklahoma, Iowa State, Colorado	4 Michigan State, Arizona State, Texas Tech, Texas
Yards Penalized	99 Iowa State (9 penalties)	24 Texas (4 penalties)
Sacks By	3 Arizona State	0 five times

Individual Highs

Most Rushing Attempts--32; DeAngelo Evans vs. Texas (130 yards)
 Most Net Rushing Yards--214; Ahman Green at Iowa State (29 att.)
 Most Rushing TDs--3; Damon Benning vs. Baylor, DeAngelo Evans vs. Texas
 Longest TD Run--69; DeAngelo Evans at Kansas State
 Longest Run, No TD--70; Ahman Green vs. Missouri
 Most Pass Attempts--24; Scott Frost vs. Texas (15 comp.)
 Most Completed Passes--15; Scott Frost vs. Texas (24 att.)
 Most Passing Yards--254; Scott Frost vs. Kansas (16 att.)
 Longest TD Pass--51; Scott Frost to Jeff Lake vs. Oklahoma
 Longest Pass, No TD--41; Scott Frost to Jon Vedral vs. Baylor; Frost to Vershan Jackson vs. Kansas
 Most Pass Receptions--6; DeAngelo Evans vs. Texas
 Most Receiving Yards--69; Brendan Holbein vs. Kansas
 Most TD Receptions--2; Brendan Holbein vs. Kansas; Vershan Jackson at Iowa State
 Most Total-Offense Attempts--32; Evans vs. Texas (130 yards)
 Most Total-Offense Yards--289; Scott Frost vs. Baylor
 Most All-Purpose Attempts--38; DeAngelo Evans vs. Texas
 Most All-Purpose Yards--214; Ahman Green at Iowa State
 Most Touchdowns Scored--3; Damon Benning vs. Baylor; Evans vs. Texas
 Most Field Goals Attempted--5; Kris Brown at Kansas State
 Most Field Goals Made--4; Kris Brown at Kansas State
 Longest Field Goal--51; Kris Brown vs. Texas
 Most Interceptions--2; Mike Minter vs. Michigan State
 Longest Interception TD Return--84 yards, Mike Minter vs. Michigan State
 Longest Interception Return, No TD--44; Mike Brown vs. Kansas
 Longest Punt Return--62; Mike Fullman vs. Michigan State

Nebraska Individual Highs, Continued

Longest Kickoff Return--85; Kenny Cheatham vs. Oklahoma

Most Punts--8; Jesse Kosch vs. Arizona State (367 yards)

Highest Punting Average--49.0 Jesse Kosch vs. Missouri

Longest Punt--61; Jesse Kosch, vs. Colorado State

Most Total Tackles: 17; Jamel Williams vs. Arizona State

Most Solo Tackles: 8; Jamel Williams vs. Arizona State

Most Tackles for Loss: 4; Mike Rucker vs. Michigan State (21 yards), Rucker vs. Texas Tech (24 yards)

Most Yards Lost: 26; Terrell Farley at Iowa State

Most Quarterback Sacks: 4; Mike Rucker vs. Texas Tech

Most Yards Lost: 26; Terrell Farley at Iowa State

Opponents' Highs

Most Yards Rushing--151; De'Mond Parker, Oklahoma

Most Yards Passing--353; James Brown, Texas

Most Yards Receiving--125; Geoff Turner, Colorado State

Opponents' Long Plays

Rush--61; Priest Holmes, Texas

Pass--77; Matt Johner to Isaac Byrd, Kansas

Field Goal--51; Jamie Rheem, Kansas State

Punt return--29; Nigea Carter, Michigan State

Kickoff return--38; Terry Battle, Arizona State

Interception return--22; Clyde Johnson, Kansas State

Punt--75; Marc Harris, Iowa State

Nebraska Long Plays of 25 Yards or More in 1996

Opponent	Runs (13)	Passes (15)	Returns (17)
Michigan State	None	*35 Frost to Holbein *30 Turman to Cheatham	*84 Minter (IR) *62 Fullman (PR) 29 Green (KOR) 45 Benning (KOR) 37 Evans (KOR) 26 Benning (KOR) 29 J. Williams (IR) 35 Evans (KOR) None None
Arizona State	None	None	
Colorado State	29 Green 38 Green 39 Sims 30 Evans	29 Frost to Holbein 39 Frost to Vedral	
Kansas State	*69 Evans	None	
Baylor	*45 Turman 33 Evans 28 Perino	41 Frost to Vedral 48 Frost to Schuster 31 Frost to S. Jackson	
Texas Tech	None	29 Frost to Vedral	51 Benning (PR)
Kansas	None	41 Frost to V. Jackson 34 Frost to Holbein 34 Frost to Cheatham 31 Frost to Lake	29 Wiggins (PR) 44 M. Brown (IR)
Oklahoma	49 Sims	*51 Frost to Lake *41 Frost to L. Brown	*83 R. Brown (IR) *85 Cheatham (KOR)
Missouri	*56 Green 70 Green	None	26 McFarlin (PR) 27 Minter (IR)
Iowa State	25 Green	*35 Frost to V. Jackson	None
Colorado	40 Evans	None	None
Texas	None	None	33 Benning (KOR) 25 Benning (KOR)

Opponent Long Plays of 25 Yards or More in 1996

Opponent	Runs (5)	Passes (18)	Returns (9)
Michigan State	None	31 Ornstein to Nigea Carter 48 Ornstein to Octavus Long	29 Carter (PR)
Arizona State	None	31 Plummer to Redmond *25 Plummer to Poole	25 Redmond (PR) 38 Battle (KOR)
Colorado State	None	*32 Moreno to Turner 34 Moreno to Turner 32 Moreno to Antoine 27 Moreno to Porter	26 D. Washington (KOR)
Kansas State	None	None	25 Canty (KOR)
Baylor	None	31 Alfred to M. Anderson	None
Texas Tech	None	None	None
Kansas	None	*77 Johner to Byrd	28 Vann (KOR)
Oklahoma	*34 Parker *51 Parker 29 Moore	27 Fuente to Little	None
Missouri	None	25 Skornia to Jenkins	27 Williams (KOR)
Iowa State	35 T. Davis	None	35 D. Davis (KOR) 28 D. Davis (KOR)
Colorado	None	51 Detmer to Kidd 37 Detmer to Carruth 33 Detmer to Savoy	
Texas	*61 Holmes	47 Brown to Adams *66 Brown to McGarity 61 Brown to D. Lewis	

*-indicates touchdowns scored

1996 Team Game-by-Game Statistics

Nebraska

	<u>Rushing</u> <u>A/Yds/TD</u>	<u>Passing</u> <u>A-C-I/Y/TD</u>	<u>Total Off.</u> <u>Plays/Yds</u>	<u>First Downs</u> <u>T/R-Pa-Pe</u>	<u>Fumbles</u> <u>No./Lost</u>	<u>Sacks By/</u> <u>Yards Lost</u>
Michigan State	45/184/2	15-7-0/114/2	60/298	18/12-4-2	3-2	7/50
@ Arizona State	44/130/0	25-8-0/96/0	69/226	13/8-5-0	6-3	6/39
Colorado State	70/476/6	22-14-0/152/2	92/628	32/23-7-2	2-0	3/20
@ Kansas State	68/341/3	17-9-1/91/1	85/432	24/17-5-2	2-0	3/21
Baylor	65/491/6	17-8-0/178/0	82/669	34/27-6-1	1-0	7/43
@ Texas Tech	49/183/2	12-4-1/55/0	61/238	13/10-2-1	7-4	7/38
Kansas	63/322/6	18-13-0/273/3	81/595	34/20-12-2	2-1	3/18
@ Oklahoma	51/208/5	25-12-1/179/3	76/387	20/12-8-0	3-2	5/21
Missouri	52/299/5	16-9-0/114/1	68/413	16/11-5-0	3-1	1/8
@ Iowa State	69/388/5	17-8-0/103/2	86/491	30/23-6-1	0-0	2/26
Colorado	52/238/1	14-6-0/56/0	66/294	12/12-1-0	5-4	3/20
Texas	63/243/3	24-15-0/155/0	87/398	26/15-11-0	3-2	0/0

Opponents

	<u>Rushing</u> <u>A/Yds/TD</u>	<u>Passing</u> <u>A-C-I/Yds/TD</u>	<u>Total Off.</u> <u>Plays/Yds</u>	<u>First Downs</u> <u>T/R-Pa-Pe</u>	<u>Fumbles</u> <u>No./Lost</u>	<u>Sacks By/</u> <u>Yards Lost</u>
Michigan State	49/83/1	27-14-3/133/1	76/246	11/5-6-0	4-1	1-11
@ Arizona State	52/109/0	36-20-1/292/1	88/401	22/7-15-0	0-0	3-18
Colorado State	30/59/0	31-14-2/270/1	61/329	19/2-13-4	3-1	0-0
@ Kansas State	24/25/0	28-8-3/61/0	52/86	8/4-2-2	1-0	1-4
Baylor	34/32/0	20-10-0/85/0	54/117	11/5-4-2	3-0	0-0
@ Texas Tech	46/102/0	30-11-0/112/0	76/214	17/8-5-4	5-3	1-5
Kansas	30/21/0	27-14-2/188/1	57/209	9/2-7-0	3-1	0-0
@ Oklahoma	41/189/3	22-8-4/86/0	63/275	16/8-4-4	2-1	1-6
Missouri	43/47/0	20-10-2/123/1	63/170	11/6-5-0	5-2	0-0
@ Iowa State	38/138/0	21-9-2/100/2	59/238	17/6-7-4	1-1	0-0
Colorado	32/51/0	38-12-2/226/0	70/277	14/4-9-1	0-0	2-19
Texas	28/150/3	29-19-2/353/1	57/503	22/6-14-2	0-0	1-5

1996 Nebraska Individual Game-by-Game Statistics

Rushing (Attempts/Yards/Touchdowns)

Name	<u>MSU</u>	<u>ASU</u>	<u>CSU</u>	<u>KSU</u>	<u>Baylor</u>	<u>TTech</u>	<u>KU</u>	<u>OU</u>	<u>MU</u>	<u>ISU</u>	<u>CU</u>	<u>Texas</u>
Benning	8/35/0	6/52/0	13/59/1	INJ	22/135/3	4/32/1	9/54/1	6/26/0	4/16/0	11/45/1	2/11/0	0/0/0
Cheatham	1/-16/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Christo	DNP	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	2/24/0	1/11/0	DNP	DNP
Cobb	0/0/0	DNP	3/18/0	2/7/0	3/11/0	DNP	3/6/1	DNP	0/0/0	1/1/0	DNP	DNP
Eicher	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	1/13/0	DNP	1/5/0	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Evans	1/2/0	DNP	6/72/1	21/168/2	12/105/2	6/24/0	12/42/1	13/36/2	8/20/2	12/54/0	25/123/1	32/130/3
Frost	10/58/1	10/-7/0	10/56/1	11/35/0	12/90/1	14/22/1	6/35/2	8/14/0	8/28/1	7/28/2	12/32/0	18/47/0
Green	15/71/1	20/87/0	22/163/1	14/66/1	INJ	19/76/0	12/65/1	9/5/1	12/161/1	29/214/1	3/9/0	INJ
Kingston	DNP	DNP	2/-1/0	3/6/0	0/0/0	DNP	4/5/0	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Legate	0/0/0	0/0/0	3/8/0	0/0/0	INJ	INJ	INJ	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0
London	DNP	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	3/6/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Jo. Makovicka	3/19/0	0/0/0	INJ	4/17/0	INJ	2/12/0	5/49/0	3/14/0	1/-4/0	2/6/0	1/1/0	2/5/0
Olness	DNP	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	2/6/0	DNP	1/2/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Perino	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/28/0	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0	4/23/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Raymond	DNP	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	1/4/0	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Schuster	4/13/0	4/10/0	2/21/1	4/24/0	6/28/0	4/17/0	INJ	3/4/0	2/-1/0	3/17/0	8/51/0	6/29/0
Sims	2/5/0	DNP	6/64/1	7/7/0	6/37/0	0/0/0	5/40/0	7/98/2	2/5/0	1/0/0	DNP	5/32/0
Turman	1/-3/0	3/8/0	3/16/0	2/11/0	2/44/1	DNP	2/6/0	1/9/0	5/19/1	2/12/1	DNP	DNP
Vedral	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/11/0	0/0/0
Wiggins	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/5/0	1/2/0	INJ	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Team*	45/184/2	44/130/0	70/476/6	68/341/3	65/491/7	49/183/2	63/322/6	51/208/5	52/299/5	69/388/5	52/238/1	63/243/3

Season and Career, Most Rushing Yards

Player	1996	Career
Damon Benning	135 vs. Baylor	173 vs. Pacific, 1995
Josh Cobb	18 vs. Colorado State	same
Chad Eicher	13 vs. Baylor	same
DeAngelo Evans	168 vs. Kansas State	same
Scott Frost	90 vs. Baylor	same
Ahman Green	214 vs. Iowa State	same
Billy Legate	8 vs. Colorado State	12 vs. Iowa State, 1995
Joel Makovicka	49 vs. Kansas	55 vs. Oklahoma State, 1995
Jeff Perino	28 vs. Baylor	same
Brian Schuster	51 vs. Colorado	55 vs. Iowa State, 1995
Jay Sims	98 vs. Oklahoma	same
Matt Turman	44 vs. Baylor	same

*Indicates touchdown scored.

Season and Career, Longest Run

1996	Career
21 vs. Texas Tech	62 vs. Pacific, 1995
9 vs. Colorado State	same
13 vs. Baylor	same
*69 vs. Kansas State	same
22 vs. Baylor	same
70 vs. Missouri	same
5 vs. Colorado State	7 vs. Iowa State, 1995
23 vs. Kansas	39 vs. Oklahoma St., '95
28 vs. Baylor	same
21 vs. Colorado	55 vs. Iowa State, 1995
49 vs. Oklahoma	80 vs. Michigan St., 1995
11 vs. Iowa State	25 vs. Pacific, 1995

Passing Game-by-Game (Attempts-Completions-Interceptions/Yards/Touchdowns)

Name	Frost	Turman	Perino	Christo
Michigan State	12-5-0/74/1	2-2-0/40/1	1-0-0/0/0	DNP
@ Arizona State	20-6-0/66/0	4-2-0/30/0	DNP	DNP
Colorado State	18-13-0/143/2	4-1-0/9/0	0-0-0/0/0	0-0-0/0/0
@ Kansas State	16-8-1/79/1	1-1-0/12/0	DNP	DNP
Baylor	15-8-0/178/0	2-0-0/0/0	0-0-0/0/0	0-0-0/0/0
@ Texas Tech	12-4-1/55/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Kansas	16-12-0/254/3	2-1-0/19/0	0-0-0/0/0	0-0-0/0/0
@ Oklahoma	22-10-1/163/3	2-2-0/16/0	1-0-0/0/0	DNP
Missouri	14-9-0/114/1	2-0-0/0/0	0-0-0/0/0	0-0-0/0/0
@ Iowa State	17-8-0/103/2	0-0-0/0/0	DNP	0-0-0/0/0
Colorado	14-6-0/56/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Texas	24-15-0/155/0	DNP	DNP	DNP

Also: Benning vs. ASU 1-0-0/0/0

Season and Career, Most Passing Yards

Player	1996	Career
Scott Frost	254 vs. Kansas	same
Matt Turman	40 vs. Michigan State	51 vs. Pacific, 1995

Season and Career, Longest Pass

1996	Career
*51 vs. Oklahoma	same
*30 vs. Michigan State	*39 vs. Pacific, 1995

Receiving (Receptions/Yards/Touchdowns)

Name	MSU	ASU	CSU	KSU	Baylor	TTech	KU	OU	MU	ISU	CU	Texas
Benning	0/0/0	1/-1/0	0/0/0	INJ	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
L. Brown	DNP	1/22/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/22/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/41/1	1/6/0	0/0/0	1/10/0	0/0/0
Carpenter	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Cheatham	1/30/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	2/19/0	0/0/0	1/34/0	1/9/0	0/0/0	1/2/0	0/0/0	1/11/0
Edwards	1/10/0	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	INJ	INJ	INJ	INJ	INJ	INJ
Evans	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0	1/5/0	1/6/0	1/1/0	0/0/0	1/1/0	0/0/0	1/11/0	1/9/0	6/42/0
Frost	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/-1/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Green	0/0/0	1/20/0	3/19/0	2/17/0	INJ	1/19/0	1/13/0	1/5/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	INJ
Holbein	1/35/1	3/26/0	3/62/0	2/15/0	1/11/0	0/0/0	3/69/2	0/0/0	2/18/1	3/33/0	2/23/0	3/43/0
S. Jackson	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/1/1	1/8/0	1/31/0	0/0/0	1/8/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
V. Jackson	0/0/0	0/0/0	2/13/1	1/21/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	2/65/0	2/16/0	2/40/0	3/57/2	1/8/0	0/0/0
Lake	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/12/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/31/0	2/58/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Legate	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/9/0	0/0/0	INJ	INJ	INJ	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0
Makovicka	1/3/0	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0	INJ	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	2/25/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Schuster	0/0/0	1/10/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/48/0	0/0/0	INJ	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/9/0
Vedral	2/20/0	1/19/0	2/53/0	1/13/0	1/41/0	2/35/0	1/4/0	4/49/1	2/25/0	0/0/0	1/6/0	3/35/0
Wieting	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/6/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Wiggins	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/15/0
Wills	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	1/19/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP
Team	7/114/2	8/96/0	14/152/2	9/91/1	8/178/0	4/55/0	13/273/3	12/179/3	9/114/1	8/103/2	6/56/0	15/155/0

Season and Career, Most Receiving Yards

Player	1996	Career
Damon Benning	-1 vs. Arizona State	37 vs. Kansas, '94
Lance Brown	41 vs. Oklahoma	same
Tim Carpenter	none	15 vs. Pacific, '95
Kenny Cheatham	34 vs. Kansas	same
J.R. Edwards	10 vs. Michigan State	same
DeAngelo Evans	42 vs. Texas	same
Ahman Green	20 vs. Arizona State	44 vs. Colorado
Brendan Holbein	69 vs. Kansas	same
Vershan Jackson	65 vs. Kansas	same
Sheldon Jackson	31 vs. Baylor	same
Jeff Lake	58 vs. Oklahoma	same
Billy Legate	9 vs. Colorado State	same
Joel Makovicka	25 vs. Missouri	same
Brian Schuster	48 vs. Baylor	same
Jon Vedral	53 vs. Colorado State	same
Shevin Wiggins	30 vs. Kansas	same
Aaron Wills	19 vs. Kansas	same

Season and Career, Longest Catch

1996	Career
-1 vs. Arizona State	37 vs. Kansas, '94
*41 vs. Oklahoma	same
none	15 vs. Pacific, '95
34 vs. Kansas	same
10 vs. Michigan State	same
22 vs. Texas	same
20 vs. Arizona State	35 vs. Colorado
*35 vs. Michigan State	same
41 vs. Kansas	same
31 vs. Baylor	same
*51 vs. Oklahoma	same
9 vs. Colorado State	same
17 vs. Missouri	same
48 vs. Baylor	same
41 vs. Baylor	same
18 vs. Kansas	same
19 vs. Kansas	same

Average Starting Field Position

	Neb.	Opp.
Drives Started	166	168
Times Started Inside Own 20	17	39
Cumulative Starting Yardlines	6,425	4,038
Average Starting Field Position	38.7	24.0

Quarterback Drive Efficiency

Quarterback	Drives		Drives Ended By...			Efficiency
	Started	Scores	TDs	FGs	FGA	
Frost	137	59	47	12	19	.431
Turman	18	10	10	0	0	.556
Team	166	71	59	12	19	.428

Inside the 20

	NU	OPP
Times Penetrated Opponent 20	68	15
Total Scores	56	12
Touchdowns	47	6
Field Goals	9	6
Missed Field Goals	4	2
Turnovers	3	1
Lost on Downs	4	0
End of Half/Game	1	0
Scoring Percentage	.824	.800

Tackles (Solos-Assists-Total)

Name	MSU	ASU	CSU	KSU	Baylor	TTech	KU	OU	MU	ISU	CU	Texas
Alderman	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Allen	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	1-1-2	0-0-0	1-1-2	1-0-1	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Bassett	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	DNP
Benes	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP
Benning	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
Blahak	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	1-0-1	DNP	DNP	DNP
Booker	1-0-1	1-5-6	1-1-2	1-0-1	0-2-2	2-3-5	1-1-2	0-0-0	0-2-2	1-1-2	1-1-2	0-0-0
K. Brown	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0
M. Brown	1-0-1	0-1-1	1-0-1	2-0-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	1-2-3	0-0-0	2-1-3	0-0-0	0-0-0
R. Brown	1-1-2	0-2-2	3-0-3	2-0-2	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-4-4	2-2-4	2-2-4	3-1-4
Buettenback	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Dennis	INJ	INJ	INJ	INJ	INJ	INJ	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Drum	0-1-1	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Farley	DNP	DNP	2-2-4	3-2-5	3-4-7	1-8-9	1-2-3	3-4-7	0-4-4	2-2-4	DNP	DNP
Foreman	2-5-7	2-6-8	0-2-2	2-0-2	1-3-4	1-3-4	0-3-3	2-1-3	0-4-4	0-5-5	0-1-1	0-0-0
Froelich	DNP	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Fullman	0-1-1	4-1-5	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-2-4	0-0-0	INJ	INJ	1-0-1	0-0-0	1-0-1
Gumm	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	DNP
Held	0-1-1	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Hesse	4-5-9	2-8-10	4-9-13	2-3-5	1-2-3	4-7-11	5-2-7	2-3-5	1-3-4	1-3-4	5-5-10	1-3-4
Hogrefe	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Holbein	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
J. Jackson	1-1-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-2-2	DNP	0-3-3	1-1-2	0-3-3	1-0-1	DNP	DNP
V. Jackson	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
E. Johnson	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-1-1	0-1-1	DNP	0-1-1	1-0-1	0-4-4	0-3-3	DNP	DNP
Kelsay	1-2-3	2-2-4	0-2-2	3-0-3	1-2-3	1-1-2	1-2-3	0-0-0	0-2-2	INJ	0-0-0	1-0-1
Kohl	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1	0-2-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP
Legate	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-2-2	0-0-0	INJ	INJ	INJ	0-1-1	0-1-1	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0
List	1-1-2	DNP	1-0-1	1-0-1	2-0-2	0-0-0	1-1-2	3-1-4	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1
Macken	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	DNP
Makovicka	0-1-1	1-0-1	DNP	0-0-0	INJ	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0
McFarlin	1-2-3	0-2-2	1-3-4	2-1-3	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-5-5	0-5-5	0-0-0	0-0-0
McGraw	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Milius	DNP	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Minter	2-2-4	2-6-8	0-2-2	0-1-1	1-2-3	1-5-6	0-1-1	2-3-5	2-1-3	1-4-5	0-6-6	4-3-7
Ogard	0-2-2	1-2-3	2-1-3	0-0-0	1-0-1	3-3-6	0-3-3	1-3-4	0-4-4	1-2-3	1-2-3	1-1-2
Ortiz	0-2-2	DNP	1-1-2	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-1-1	1-2-3	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	DNP
Peter	2-5-7	3-8-11	0-2-2	2-1-3	0-1-1	0-2-2	2-2-4	4-4-8	0-3-3	2-7-9	1-4-5	1-2-3
Peterson	0-0-0	DNP	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-1-1	DNP	1-1-2	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-1-1	DNP	DNP
Roberts	1-1-2	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Rucker	3-1-4	1-3-4	0-0-0	0-1-1	3-2-5	4-1-5	0-1-1	4-1-5	0-3-3	0-2-2	0-0-0	0-2-2
Ryan	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	DNP
Saltsman	0-1-1	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-1-1	0-1-1	0-4-4	0-1-1	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0
Schuster	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	INJ	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
Sears	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	1-0-1	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	DNP
Sims	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0
Shaw	1-1-2	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	3-1-4	0-1-1	0-1-1	0-3-3	1-2-3	1-0-1	2-0-2	1-1-2
Stokes	1-2-3	7-4-11	2-1-3	0-1-1	0-1-1	1-1-2	1-2-3	1-1-2	0-3-3	1-5-6	1-1-2	7-1-8
Terwilliger	1-2-3	1-5-6	0-1-1	INJ	0-1-1	0-2-2	0-0-0	1-1-2	1-1-2	1-1-2	0-1-1	0-0-0
Toline	0-2-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-4-6	1-0-1	1-0-1	1-3-4	0-0-0	0-0-0
Tomich	0-1-1	1-5-6	1-2-3	0-2-2	0-2-2	4-1-5	1-2-3	3-3-6	2-2-4	1-2-3	1-3-4	1-0-1
Treu	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
Walther	1-1-2	DNP	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1	2-1-3	0-1-1	0-0-0	DNP	DNP
Warfield	1-0-1	0-2-2	1-3-4	2-1-3	2-2-4	0-1-1	0-1-1	0-1-1	1-2-3	1-5-6	6-1-7	4-2-6
Warren	0-1-1	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	1-0-1	DNP	0-2-2	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-1-1	DNP	DNP
Watson	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Williams	5-8-13	8-9-17	2-5-7	3-2-5	2-6-8	2-5-7	2-3-5	1-3-4	1-6-7	2-2-4	2-7-9	5-6-11
Wiltz	0-2-2	0-2-2	1-2-3	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-2-2	0-2-2	0-2-2	2-1-3	1-2-3	0-0-0	0-0-0
Wistrom	2-3-5	3-2-5	2-5-7	1-1-2	2-3-5	5-2-7	3-6-9	3-3-6	1-6-7	1-2-3	4-11-15	3-1-4

Quarterback Sacks (Number/Yards)

Name	MSU	ASU	CSU	KSU	Baylor	TTech	KU	OU	MU	ISU	CU	Texas
Allen	DNP	DNP	DNP	0/0	1/8	DNP	0/0	1/1	0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Farley	DNP	DNP	0/0	1/4	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/26	DNP	DNP
Foreman	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	.5/2	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Hesse	0/0	0/0	1/7	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
J. Jackson	0/0	DNP	0/0	0/0	.5/3	DNP	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	DNP
Kelsay	1/5	1/7	0/0	0/0	.5/3	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Ogard	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/6	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Ortiz	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/6	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Peter	1/8	1/6	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/7	1/7	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Rucker	2.5/20	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	4/24	0/0	0/0	.5/4	0/0	0/0	0/0
Shaw	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/7	0/0	0/0	0/0	.5/4	0/0	0/0	0/0
Terwilliger	0/0	0/0	0/0	DNP	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/7	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Tomich	0/0	0/0	1/7	0/0	0/0	1/6	1/7	2/6	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Warren	.5/3	0/0	0/0	DNP	0/0	DNP	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	DNP	DNP
Williams	1/8	2/18	0/0	0/0	1/6	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/6	0/0
Wiltz	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/6	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Wistrom	1/6	2/8	1/6	0/0	.5/2	2/8	1/4	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/14	0/0
Totals	7/50	6/39	3/20	3/21	7/43	7/38	3/18	5/21	1/8	2/26	3/20	0/0

Tackles for Loss (Number-Yards)

Name	MSU	ASU	CSU	KSU	Baylor	TTech	KU	OU	MU	ISU	CU	Texas
Alderman	0/0	DNP	.5/2	DNP	0/0	DNP	0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Allen	DNP	DNP	DNP	0/0	1/8	DNP	0/0	1/1	0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Booker	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	.5/2	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0
R. Brown	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	.5/2	0/0
Farley	DNP	DNP	1/1	2/15	1.5/11	2/2	0/0	1/1	0/0	2/26	DNP	DNP
Foreman	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	.5/2	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Froelich	DNP	DNP	.5/2	DNP	DNP	DNP	0/0	DNP	0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Fullman	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/1	1/1	0/0	0/0	1/2
Hesse	0/0	1/3	1/7	1/11	0/0	4/9	1/7	0/0	1/1	0/0	1/13	.5/2
Jackson	0/0	DNP	0/0	0/0	.5/3	DNP	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	DNP	DNP
Kelsay	1/5	1/7	0/0	0/0	.5/3	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/0
List	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Minter	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	.5/2	1/3
Ogard	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/6	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/0	.5/1
Ortiz	0/0	DNP	0/0	0/0	1/6	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Peter	2/10	1/6	0/0	.5/1	0/0	0/0	1/7	3/15	0/0	0/0	1/2	0/0
Rucker	4/21	0/0	0/0	.5/1	2/3	4/24	0/0	2/13	.5/4	0/0	0/0	.5/2
Saltsman	0/0	.5/2	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	.5/2	0/0
Shaw	0/0	.5/2	0/0	0/0	1/7	0/0	0/0	0/0	.5/4	0/0	0/0	0/0
Stokes	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	.5/1	1/1
Terwilliger	1/3	0/0	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/7	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Toline	0/0	DNP	0/0	0/0	0/0	DNP	1/2	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Tomich	0/0	0/0	1/7	0/0	.5/1	1/6	1/7	3/10	0/0	1/4	1/3	1/2
Warren	.5/3	0/0	0/0	DNP	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	DNP	DNP
Williams	3/13	3/23	0/0	0/0	1.5/7	1/3	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1.5/8	.5/1
Wiltz	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/6	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/2	0/0	0/0	0/0
Wistrom	1/6	2/8	1/6	1/11	.5/2	4/10	2/5	2/6	2/3	0/0	2.5/15	1/2
Totals	14/62	9/51	5/25	6/45	12/61	16/54	8/30	13/53	8/16	3/30	10/43	7/16

1996 Big 12 Results & Statistics

Final Big 12 Standings

North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	PF-PA	W	L	Pct.	PF-PA	Bowl	Natl. Rank
Nebraska	8	1	.888	392-111	10	2	.833	512-153	Orange vs. Virginia Tech	6
Colorado	7	1	.875	221-126	9	2	.818	319-199	Holiday vs. Washington	8
Kansas State	6	2	.750	197-162	9	2	.818	325-172	Cotton vs. BYU	14
Missouri	3	5	.375	197-307	5	6	.455	278-376		
Kansas	2	6	.250	171-286	4	7	.364	300-358		
Iowa State	1	7	.125	221-299	2	9	.182	314-401		

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	PF-PA	W	L	Pct.	PF-PA	Bowl	Natl. Rank
Texas	7	2	.777	354-196	8	4	.667	432-267	Fiesta vs. Penn State	20
Texas Tech	5	3	.625	197-149	7	4	.636	323-205	Alamo vs. Iowa	
Texas A&M	4	4	.500	174-174	6	6	.500	351-257		
Oklahoma	3	5	.375	193-290	3	8	.273	255-392		
Oklahoma State	2	6	.250	159-281	5	6	.455	243-327		
Baylor	1	7	.125	186-281	4	7	.364	266-320		

Big 12 Championship Game: Texas 37, Nebraska 27

Final Big 12 Individual and Team Statistics

Rushing

(NCAA rankings in parenthesis), Includes conference leader and Nebraska individuals and team stats.

	<u>G</u>	<u>Att.</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>Avg.</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Yds.PG</u>
1. Troy Davis, ISU (1)	11	402	2,185	5.4	21	198.6
7. Ahman Green, NU (42)	10	155	917	5.9	7	91.7
10. DeAngelo Evans, NU	11	148	776	5.2	14	70.6

Passing Efficiency

	<u>G</u>	<u>Att.</u>	<u>Cmp.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Int.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>Att.</u>	<u>Yds./</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Rating</u>
1. Koy Detmer, CU (15)	11	363	208	57.3	12	3,156	8.7	22		143.7
6. Scott Frost, NU (32)	12	200	104	52.0	3	1,440	7.2	13		130.9

Total Offense

	<u>Rushing</u>			<u>Passing</u>			<u>Total Offense</u>		
	<u>G</u>	<u>Att.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>Att.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>Plays</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>Yds.PG</u>	
1. Koy Detmer, CU (9)	11	36	-6	363	3,156	399	3,150	286.36	
9. Scott Frost, NU	12	126	438	200	1,440	326	1,878	156.5	

All-Purpose Yardage

	<u>G</u>	<u>Rush</u>	<u>Rec.</u>	<u>PR</u>	<u>KOR</u>	<u>Tot.Yds.</u>	<u>Yds.PG</u>
1. Troy Davis, ISU (1)	11	2,185	61	0	118	2,364	214.9
11. Ahman Green, NU	10	917	93	0	29	1,039	103.9

Receiving Yards Per Game

	<u>G</u>	<u>Cl.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Yds.PG</u>
1. Rae Carruth, CU (14)	11	54	1,116	8	101.5

Receptions Per Game

	<u>G</u>	<u>Cl.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Cl.PG</u>
1. Kevin Lockett, KSU (10)	11	72	882	6	6.6

Punt Returns

(minimum 1.2 returns per game)	<u>G</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
1. Dante Hall, Texas A&M (11)	12	43	573	1	13.3
2. Mike Fullman, NU (26)	10	21	250	1	11.9

Kickoff Returns

(minimum 1.2 returns per game)	<u>G</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
1. Eric Vann, Kansas (21)	11	18	451	1	25.1

Interceptions

	<u>G</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>IPG</u>
1. Steve Rosga, CU (14)	11	5	140	1	.45
1. Chris Canty, KSU (14)	11	5	47	0	.45
3. Mike Minter, NU (27)	12	5	129	1	.42
6. Ralph Brown, NU	12	4	83	1	.33
12. Jamel Williams, NU	12	3	49	0	.25
12. Eric Warfield, NU	12	3	1	0	.25

Punting

(minimum 3.6 punts per game)	<u>G</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
1. Ty Atteberry, Baylor (4)	11	60	2,781	46.4
3. Jesse Kosch, NU (11)	12	44	1,967	44.7

Field Goals

	<u>G</u>	<u>FG-FGA</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>FGPG</u>
1. Phil Dawson, Texas (8)	12	19-24	.792	1.58
5. Kris Brown, NU (41)	12	12-19	.632	1.00

Scoring

	<u>G</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>XP</u>	<u>FG</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Ppg.</u>
1. Troy Davis, ISU (2)	11	21	0	0	126	11.5
5. DeAngelo Evans, NU (35)	11	14	0	0	84	7.6
8. Kris Brown, NU (49)	12	0	50	12	86	7.2

Team

Rushing Offense

	<u>G</u>	<u>Att.</u>	<u>Yards</u>	<u>Avg.</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Yds.PG</u>
1. Nebraska (4)	12	691	3,503	5.1	45	291.9

Passing Offense

	<u>G</u>	<u>Att.</u>	<u>Cmp.</u>	<u>Int.</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Yds.PG</u>
1. Colorado (10)	11	390	221	14	56.7	3,338	22	303.5
11. Nebraska (100)	12	222	113	3	50.9	1,566	14	130.5

Total Offense

	<u>G</u>	<u>Plays</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>Avg.</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Yds.PG</u>
1. Texas (11)	12	858	5,525	6.4	52	460.4
4. Nebraska (25)	12	913	5,069	5.6	59	422.4

Scoring Offense

	<u>Games</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
1. Nebraska (4)	12	512	42.7

Net Punting

	<u>Punts</u>	<u>Avg.</u>	<u>No.Ret</u>	<u>Yds.Ret</u>	<u>Net.Avg.</u>
1. Iowa State (4)	51	45.3	18	168	42.0
3. Nebraska (8)	47	43.9	26	133	41.0

Punt Returns

	<u>G</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
1. Kansas (1)	11	11	214	1	19.5
6. Nebraska (39)	12	64	679	3	10.6

Kickoff Returns

	<u>G</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
1. Nebraska (6)	12	22	554	1	25.2

Turnover Margin

	<u>TO Gained</u>			<u>TO Lost</u>			<u>Margin</u>
	<u>FUM</u>	<u>INT</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>FUM</u>	<u>INT</u>	<u>Total</u>	
1. Kansas (9)	11	12	23	4	8	12	+1.00
2. Nebraska (12)	10	23	33	19	3	22	+92

Rushing Defense

	<u>G</u>	<u>Att.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>Avg.</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Yds.PG</u>
1. Nebraska (5)	12	447	1,006	2.3	7	83.8

Pass Efficiency Defense

	<u>Att.</u>	<u>Cmp.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Int.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>
1. Kansas State (4)	299	126	1,509	9	13	85.8
2. Nebraska (7)	329	149	2,059	8	23	91.9

Total Defense

	<u>G</u>	<u>Plays</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>Avg.</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Yds.PG</u>
1. Nebraska (7)	12	776	3,065	3.9	15	255.4

Scoring Defense

	<u>G</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
1. Nebraska (5)	12	153	12.8

Husker Offense

♦ For the 19th consecutive year, Nebraska ranked in the top four in the nation in rushing. In 1996 the Huskers ranked fourth with 291.9 ypg.

♦ The Huskers also ranked fourth in the nation in scoring offense at 42.7 ppg.



Ahman Green
I-Back

Damon Benning
I-Back



DeAngelo Evans
I-Back



Eric
Anderson
Off. Tackle



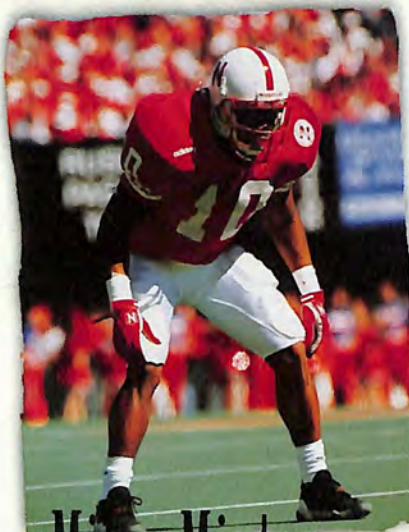
Brendan Holbein
Split End



Jon Vedral
Wingback

First-team All-Big 12

Jason
Peter
Def. Tackle



Mike Minter

Rover
First-team All-Big 12



Eric Stokes

Free Safety

Defensive Stats

♦ NU ranks fifth nationally in rush defense, holding opponents to 83.8 ypg.

♦ The Huskers are seventh nationally in passing efficiency defense.

♦ The Nebraska defense is seventh in total 'D' and fifth in scoring 'D.'

♦ The first-team defense has allowed just three rushing touchdowns all year.

♦ The Blackshirts have triggered more points than they have given up.

♦ Nebraska picked off 23 passes and had 350 yards in returns.



Michael Booker

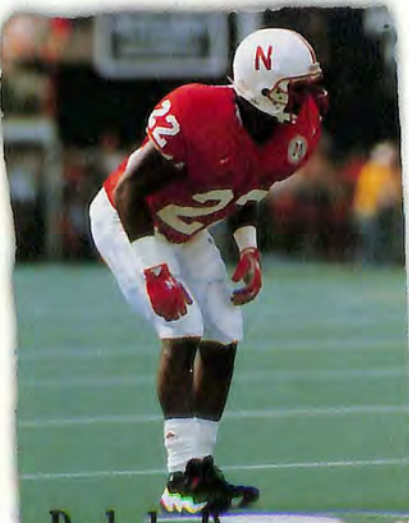
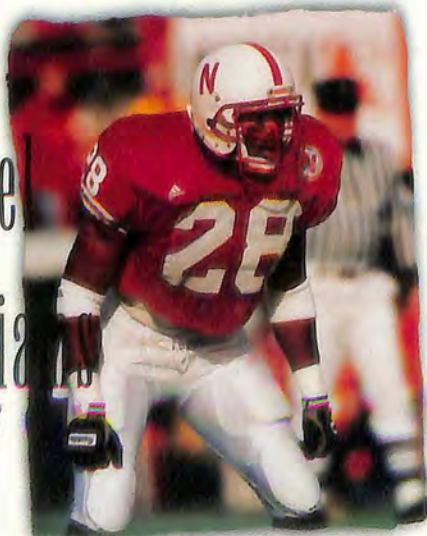
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Jeff Ogard

Def. Tackle



Jamel
Williams
Linebacker



Ralph Brown

Cornerback
Freshman All-American

Husker Defense